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NEW HEDWIG DEVELOPMENT.

MYSTERY VESSEL RUMOURS.

SURVIVORS LAND AT 2 P.M.

INTERVIEW WITH FOREIGN MEMBERS OF CREW.

STORY OF WRECK.

Mysterious whisperings relating to the wreck of the Dutch schooner Hedwig, concerning who she is and what she was doing when stranded on the Pratas Shoal, suggest that the drama of the affair has only begun with the rescue of her crew yesterday afternoon after superb rescue work by H.M.S. Suffolk.

Sensational developments are expected in the next two or three days, though officials are extremely reticent, an attitude which merely adds to the atmosphere of suspicion.

Five Foreigners Aboard.

It is now known definitely that five of the crew of fourteen rescued from the schooner were foreigners and nine Chinese. Their names, if known, have not been disclosed, with the exception of that of the master, Captain Ypma, who is also the owner, and who is of Dutch nationality.

From South Seas?

The naval authorities have been informed by wireless by H.M.S. Suffolk that Captain Ypma had said that the motor-schooner was on a voyage from the South Seas islands to Hongkong and had been ninety days out when she was caught in the grip of a fierce north-east monsoon, and driven ashore on the Pratas Reef.

No specific allegations appear to have been made and it is not clear whether the activities of the vessel have been the concern of authority, or whether their interest has been in a member of the crew. Nevertheless, there seems to be ground for the belief that startling revelations may be made shortly.

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POLITICAL CRISIS IN FRANCE.

M. TARDIEU DEFEATED IN THE SENATE.

DRAMATIC DEBATE.

Paris, Dec. 4. The Government was to-day defeated in the Senate by 137 votes to 139 on an Opposition interpellation on the Government's policy. The Government's resignation appears to be involved.

Later.

M. Tardieu has tendered his resignation to President Doumergue.

The resignation of the Government followed one of the most dramatic debates for some time in a packed house.

Replying to a vigorous attack on the Government's policy by Deputy Heri, M. Tardieu declared that France's economic position was healthy, and that the foreign situation was serious, but not grave.

The Government's policy in regard to Germany, he went on, was in pursuance of a maintenance of the fruits of victory and the cause of peace.

He added with reference to M. Briand's plan for European organisation that if Europe had not organised itself in the next decade, he could not give much for Europe.

Reuter.

BRITISH OFFICER KILLED.

AFRIDS FIRE ON BRIGADE ON THE MARCH.

Peshawar, Dec. 4. Captain H. S. C. O. Will, Adjutant of the Sikh Regiment, was killed by Afridi tribesmen, who fired on the Jhansi Brigade while it was returning to camp after acting as a covering force for troops engaged in road-making on the Akakhel Plain.

The Jat Regiment checked the Afridis, who are believed to have suffered considerable casualties.

The road-making in the Peshawar District is in accord with the programme outlined by the Viceroy recently, designed to assist troop manoeuvres and destroy cover afforded to the Afridi raiders.

Reuter.

SEIZURE OF SHIP'S CARGO.

SUPPOSED CONTRABAND ON ITALIAN BOAT.

The seizure of a consignment of cargo, on the advice of the League of Nations, from the s.s. Moncalieri was made when the ship called at Singapore on November 24 and although no definite information has been received from the authorities in the South, it is believed that the cargo contained contraband.

It has been ascertained that ten cases which were declared as boxes and 24 cases purporting to contain Panama bark were placed on board the Moncalieri at Trieste, but it is thought that the port of origin was some town further inland. The consignment was en route to Shanghai, but on arrival at Singapore the authorities had it removed.

The Moncalieri belongs to the Lloyd-Sauba line, but is under charter by the Lloyd Triestino Navigation Company. She is at present in Hongkong.

INDISPOSITION OF MR. CHADBOURNE.

SUGAR CONFERENCE HELD UP IN CONSEQUENCE.

Brussels, Dec. 4. The International Sugar Conference, which should have opened to-day, has been postponed on the ground that the conversations at Amsterdam between representatives of Java, Cuba and the United States, have not yet finished owing to the indisposition of Mr. Chadbourne, the principal United States' delegate.—Reuter.

INDIAN PARLEY OPTIMISM.

COMMITTEES MAKING PROGRESS.

OBVIOUS DESIRE TO REACH AN AGREEMENT.

IMPORTANT POINTS.

Excellent progress is being made by the Committees of the Round Table Conference which are considering the question of India's Federal structure and the Provincial Constitutions. The point being stressed that there is a complete absence of attempts to score debating points whilst a genuine desire to help forward the work is manifest. Moreover, a strong spirit of optimism is apparent in Conference circles.

London, Dec. 4.

As a result of the discussion continued to-day by the Federal Structure Sub-Committee of the Round Table Conference, it was decided to add provisionally the two important subjects of Railways and Maritime Customs to the list of subjects reported yesterday which will tentatively be considered as of common concern as between British India and the Indian States.

Businesslike Method.

The businesslike manner in which this Committee is handling its intricate tasks has been stimulated by the spirit of optimism in Conference circles. It is understood that in its discussions there has been a complete absence of attempts to score mere debating points, and a genuine and unanimous desire to help forward the work entrusted to the Committee.

The same spirit showed itself in the Provincial Constitution Sub-Committee, which, under the Chairmanship of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, held its first meeting to-day. Following the example set by Lord Sankey's Committee, it engaged in a general discussion, from which a series of concrete questions were formulated, which will be taken as a basis for future procedure.

Important Queries.

Among these questions were the following:—Is it practicable to abolish the distinction between "reserved" and "transferred" subjects, the "reserved" questions in the Provinces being those which are retained in the hands of the Government of India and the "transferred" subjects those which are placed under the control of the provincial authorities?

If abolition should be favoured what firstly, should be the constitution and composition of the Executive, and, secondly, what should be the powers of the Government vis-a-vis the Executive and the Legislature?

Rights of Minorities.

A further question formulated was what, if any, provisions are necessary to safeguard, firstly, the administration of law and order, and, secondly, the rights of the minorities or any other interest. Although a special committee has been set up to deal with the minority question, the position of the minorities in any Provincial Constitution must of necessity be considered by this Committee, which in future will doubtless join forces, on occasion requires, with the Minorities Committee.

Other questions propounded were: Should all special powers be exercised by the Governor, or should some be exercised by the Executive as a whole?

Where should the Governor obtain the advice necessary for the exercise of his special powers?

Other Points.

Should any provision be made in the event of a breakdown in the Constitution, and if so, what emergency powers should be given, firstly, to the Governor; secondly, to the Executive; thirdly, what condition adopted would be requisite for the exercise of this power; and, fourthly, under which safeguards should they be exercised?

The Committee charged with considering conditions enabling Burma to be separated from India will hold its first meeting to-morrow. It is probable that Lord Russell will be the Chairman.—British Wireless.

HEROIC SWIM FOR HELP.

MISS SPOONER'S GRIM ADVENTURE.

BITTERLY COLD.

London, Dec. 4.

A graphic story of the grim adventure which befel Miss Winifred Spooner and Flying Officer E. C. T. Edwards, the former Oxford rowing Blue, when the plane in which they were making an ambitious attempt to break the record for a flight to Cape Town developed engine trouble and was forced down into the sea, comes to hand this afternoon from Belmonte, on the Italian coast.

The mishap occurred round about midnight, but fortunately the plane floated. After a long wait, their shouts for help and distress flares unnoticed, Miss Spooner decided to swim for the shore two miles away. She struggled through an extremely cold and choppy sea, and was still with cold and exhaustion when she landed.

There was nobody about. She stumbled to the railway station.

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POLAND'S LATEST CABINET.

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Warsaw, Dec. 4.

A new Cabinet has been formed, composed chiefly of experienced hands. M. Slawek assumes the post of Prime Minister, the Foreign Office is retained by M. Zaleski, and Marshal Pilsudski, who resigned from the Premier's Dictatorship owing to ill-health, takes the portfolio of Minister for War.—Reuter.

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

The Duke of Gloucester arrived here on his journey from Abyssinia.

MINERS VOTE FOR PEACE.

ONLY THREE GROUPS SEEK STRIKE.

SPREADOVER ISSUE REFERRED TO THE DISTRICTS.

BRIGHTER OUTLOOK.

London, Dec. 4.

Having disposed of the question of a national strike, a motion in favour thereof being defeated by 230,000 to 209,000 the national conference of the Miners' Federation proceeded to a discussion of the question of permitting the operation of a spreadover of hours system.

It is understood that Scotland, Yorkshire and Lancashire were among the districts voting in favour of a national stoppage, while districts representing about one hundred thousand men abstained from voting.

The abstainers included the delegates from South Wales, where the men have continued work on a spreadover basis, despite the Federation's recent ban on this method of procedure.

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SHOCK OF GREAT INTENSITY.

FIRST DEATH-ROLL: 36.

Rangoon, Dec. 4.

The district of Pyn is seriously affected by an earthquake of great severity last night. Details are lacking but hitherto thirty-six persons are reported to have been killed. Many have been injured.

The railway between Mandalay and Rangoon is unsafe in several places.—Reuter.

The Royal Observatory informs us that the earthquake was recorded in Hongkong at 2.55 a.m. yesterday. The centre was apparently 1,500 kilometres from Hongkong.

The amplitude of the waves shows that the disturbance was more intense than even that of the Japanese earthquake of 1923.

where she roused the station-master and was most carefully tended.

Flying Officer Edwards, in the meantime, had managed to attract the notice of fishing boats who landed him also at the small village of Belmonte.

Both Miss Spooner and Edwards received minor head injuries.

Italy's Assistance.

An aeroplane has been sent to Miss Spooner's assistance by the Italian Air Minister, Count Balbo.

Miss Spooner, who became a pilot in 1927, has made a number of historic flights and has had several remarkable escapes. She received the woman's trophy of the International League of Aviators in March.

Their aeroplane has been towed into Belmonte.—Reuter and British Wireless.

ANOTHER AMERICAN BANK FAILURE.

FIRM ESTABLISHED OVER 60 YEARS AGO.

New York, Dec. 4.

After an interval of nearly a fortnight, another fairly large banking failure is reported from the South, a message from Charlotte, North Carolina, announcing that the First National Bank, the oldest national bank in the State, did not open for business to-day.

The First National Bank of North Carolina was founded in 1809, and has deposits of approximately \$1,867,000.—Reuter's American Service.

ANTIPODES PEARL FISHERIES.

AUSTRALIA PLANS BAN ON ALIEN INTERESTS.

Canberra, Dec. 4.

An Ordinance has been gazetted which is designed to prevent aliens retaining any interest in Australian pearl fisheries.—Reuter.

REMARKABLE LAB. MANIFESTO.

SUPREME POWER IN HANDS OF FIVE MINISTERS.

BIG EFFORT SOUGHT.

London, Dec. 4.

Drastic changes in the machinery of the Government and in the policy to deal with the present economic situation are advocated in a manifesto which, it is stated, thirty Labour Members of the House of Commons have signed, and the authorship of which is attributed to Sir Oswald Mosley.

It suggests that the present situation should be regarded as a National Emergency, that supreme power should be placed in the hands of a small body of five Ministers as was done during the war.

The manifesto also urges that special emergency measures should be taken immediately as regards the mines and the railways and the dumping of foreign goods into England at unfair prices.

In the House of Commons, a division was taken on the committee stage of the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, on a Conservative motion to continue the Dye-stuffs Act for another five years.

The Act was passed during the war for "ten years and no longer," and is due to expire on January 14. It amounted to a total prohibition of imports except by special licence.

Ninety per cent. of the dyes consumed in Great Britain are now of British origin, and much is exported, whereas in the days before the war only twenty per cent. of dyes used in Britain were British.

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SENSATIONAL RUMOURS OF R.101 DISASTER.

WOMAN VICTIM AND INTOXICANTS.

COMPLETELY SCOTCHED BY SIR JOHN SIMON.

CAUSE OF BLAZE.

London, Dec. 4.

Sir John Simon disposed of two rumours at the resumption of the inquiry into the R.101 disaster to-day, one alleging that a woman had died in the mishap, and the other apparently suggesting that the voyagers were not as sober as they might have been.

Sir John Simon, who is the President of the Court, said that the rumour that a woman had perished arose from the fact that a well-known aviatrix flew or motored one of the passengers to Cardington.

Miss Spooner.

She did not go on the voyage, however. He had read only to-day that the lady had reached Rome in the course of a flight to the Cape. (Presumably Sir John was referring to Miss Winifred Spooner, whose mishap and exploit is reported in another column.)

The rumour that there were large quantities of intoxicants aboard the R.101 and that the voyagers were not sober, he described as utterly baseless.

In the course of evidence before the Court, based upon a survey of previous expert evidence, Dr. Eckener, designer and commander of the Graf Zeppelin, attributed the fire to broken electrical wires.

He was not sure that a leaky gas-bag would tend to increase the probability of a fire.

War Experience.

He mentioned that a hydrogen-borne airship struck the ground violently several times during the war without taking fire. He added that he expressed the opinion years ago that the use of helium gas was essential for airships.

No such leakage in the gas-bags of the Graf Zeppelin had been experienced as the evidence showed had occurred in the R.100 and the R.101, but it was difficult to prevent the chafing of gas-bags.

R100 Commander's Criticism.

Squadron Leader R. S. Booth, the commander of the R.100, deposed that he always felt that the R.101 was rushed as regards her trials by the influence brought to bear. He was sure she would never have started on a flight to India if the Imperial Conference had not been taking place at the time she set off on her last voyage.

The Dive Reconstructed.

Previously, Dr. Eckener had attempted to "reconstruct" the steep dive of the R.101 immediately before the crash, as follows:

The weather was bumpy; the ship was a little heavy by the nose owing to loss of gas in one of the forward gasbags, and a slight gust of wind caused a downward movement which the coxswain of the elevator (who only came on duty at two o'clock in the morning) failed immediately correctly, to counteract because he was not clear about the condition of the ship; the gas between the gasbags and the outer cover escaped to the tail, accentuating the pitch, movement violently causing a large rent in the damaged gasbag; the ship was then righted through the dropping of ballast, but was unable to maintain a horizontal position on account of the quick escape of gas, and dived again and was stranded.—Reuter.

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ASSESSMENT RATE INCREASED.

SIMPLIFIED TABLE TO BE
DRAWN UP.

OTHER MATTERS.

The Legislative Council unani-
mously agreed to a four per cent.
increase in the Assessment Rate
of the Colony, at a meeting held
yesterday afternoon, but it was
foreshadowed that the table would
be reviewed by July 1, next, in
order that the percentage should
be adjusted to the amenities pro-
vided to property.

His Excellency the Governor
(Sir William Peel, K.B.E., C.M.G.)
presided, and there were also pre-
sent:

The Colonial Secretary (Hon.
Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.).

The Attorney General (Hon.
Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.).

The Secretary for Chinese
Affairs (Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood).

The Colonial Treasurer (Hon.
Mr. C. Mc. Messer, O.B.E.).

Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, C.B.E.
(Director of Public Works).

Hon. Commander G. F. Hole,
R.N. (Retired) (Harbour Master).

Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington
(Director of Medical and Sanitary
Services).

Hon. Mr. E. D. G. Wolfe, C.M.G.,
Inspector General of Police.

Hon. Sir Shou-on Chow, Kt.
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Hon. Mr. S. W. Tao, C.B.E.,
L.D.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson.
Mr. N. L. Smith (Deputy Clerk
of Councils).

Increased Rates.

The Colonial Secretary, in
moving the resolution to increase
the Assessment Rate by four per
cent, said: "The resolution in my
name on the Agenda paper, which
I ask permission to have accepted
as read, implements the policy
indicated in this year's Budget
Debate, to increase the Assess-
ment rates of the Colony by a
uniform 4% in the coming year.

Our Rating Ordinance, No. 16
of 1901, gives general power to
assess and to demand the pay-
ment of rates; but does not dif-
ferentiate between the public ser-
vices for which rates are payable.

In fact, only in the Water Ordinance
are rates connected with any
particular service, and there only
as a basis for the calculation of
the free allowance. The idea
however seems to have grown
and with it rather a vague prac-

Answer.—Yes.

Question.—Has the suggestion
been considered by Government
before?

Answer.—Yes.

Question.—If the reply to ques-
tion 2 be in the affirmative, will
the Government state the reasons
for not adopting the precedent in
England for creating a Court of
Criminal Appeal in Hongkong? If
in the negative, will the Govern-
ment consider the advisability of
creating such a Court in the
Colony?

Answer.—Correspondence has
been proceeding since the month
of May between the Secretary of
State for the Colonies and the
Government, with a view to bring-
ing the position in regard to
Criminal Appeals in the Colony

into accordance with the provisions of
the Criminal Appeal Act, 1907.
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the first reading of a Bill intituled
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pear in sub-section two of new
Section six, the Chairman of the
Board of Arbitrators is in all
cases to be a Magistrate or Jus-
tice of the Peace nominated by
Your Excellency, but if any owner
or any other party desires the
Chairman to be a Judge, a Judge
will preside on a request being
filed at the Registry of the
Supreme Court.

The Colonial Secretary seconded
and the Bill was read a first time.

Entertainments Tax.

The Attorney General moved the
first reading of a Bill intituled
"An Ordinance to impose duties
in respect of admission to enter-
tainments." He said:—This carries
out the policy stated by
Your Excellency in the Budget
Debate to adopt an entertainments
tax, sometimes called an amuse-
ment tax, in the Colony. It fol-
lows as far as possible the pro-
cedure which is operating in Eng-
land, but here we have dealt with
it in one Ordinance whereas we
had to obtain the information on
which it is based from a patch-
work of many Finance Acts which
have led to the same thing in
England. The amount of the duty
is set out in the first schedule on
page four of the print.

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Piers Ordinance.

The Attorney General moved the
first reading of a Bill intituled
"An Ordinance to amend further
the Piers Ordinance, 1899." He
said:—This makes it clear that
the Governor-in-Council has power
to revise fees in respect of piers,
and it is particularly necessary in
outlying districts that the Gov-
ernor-in-Council should have
that power.

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Stamp Ordinance.

The Attorney General moved the
first reading of a Bill intituled
"An Ordinance to amend further
the Stamp Ordinance, 1921." He
said:—This raises the duty as
(Continued on Page 11.)

Criminal Appeals.

Answering questions by the
Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, the Attorney
General stated that a move was
being made to bring the position
in regard to criminal appeals in
the Colony into line with Home
practice. The questions and an-
swers were:

Question.—Has the attention of
the Hon. the Attorney General
been drawn to the leading articles
in the *Hongkong Telegraph* news-
paper of the 15th November and
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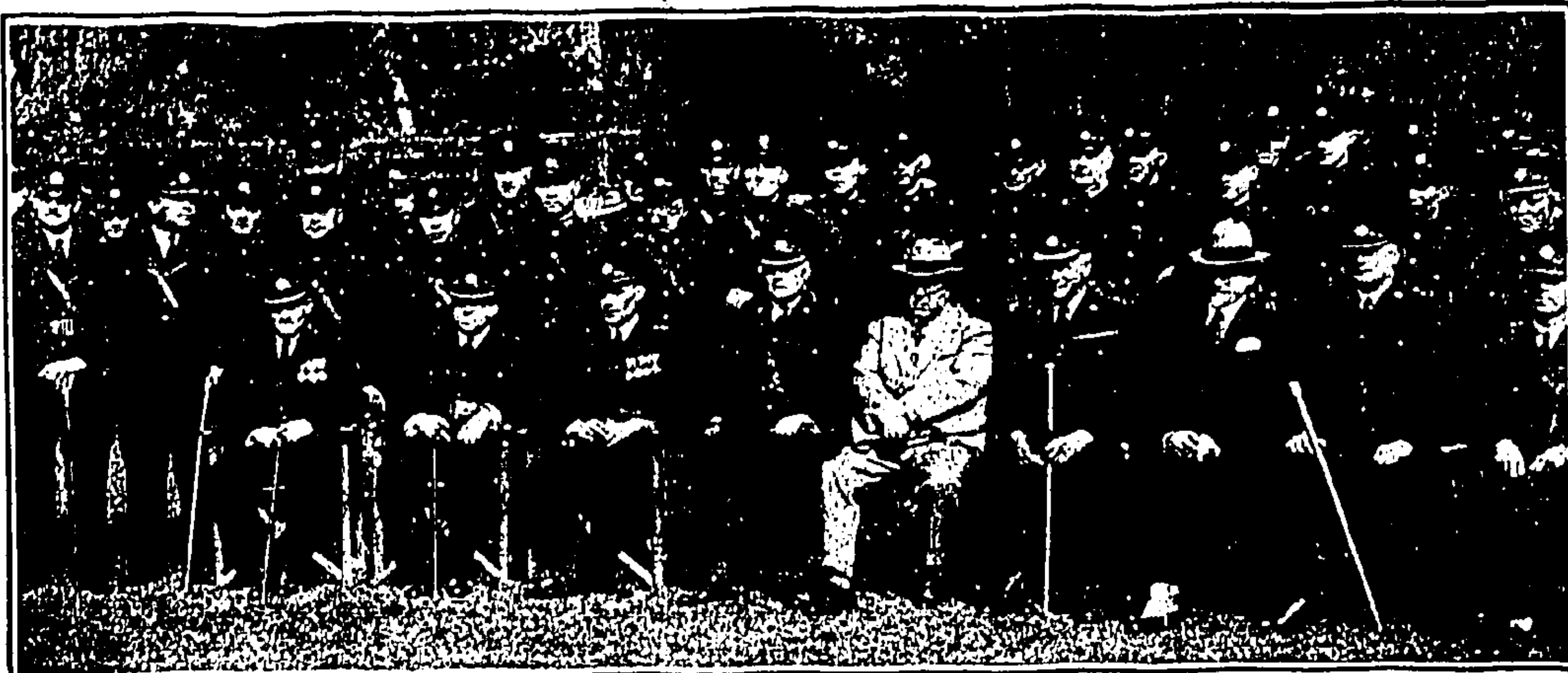




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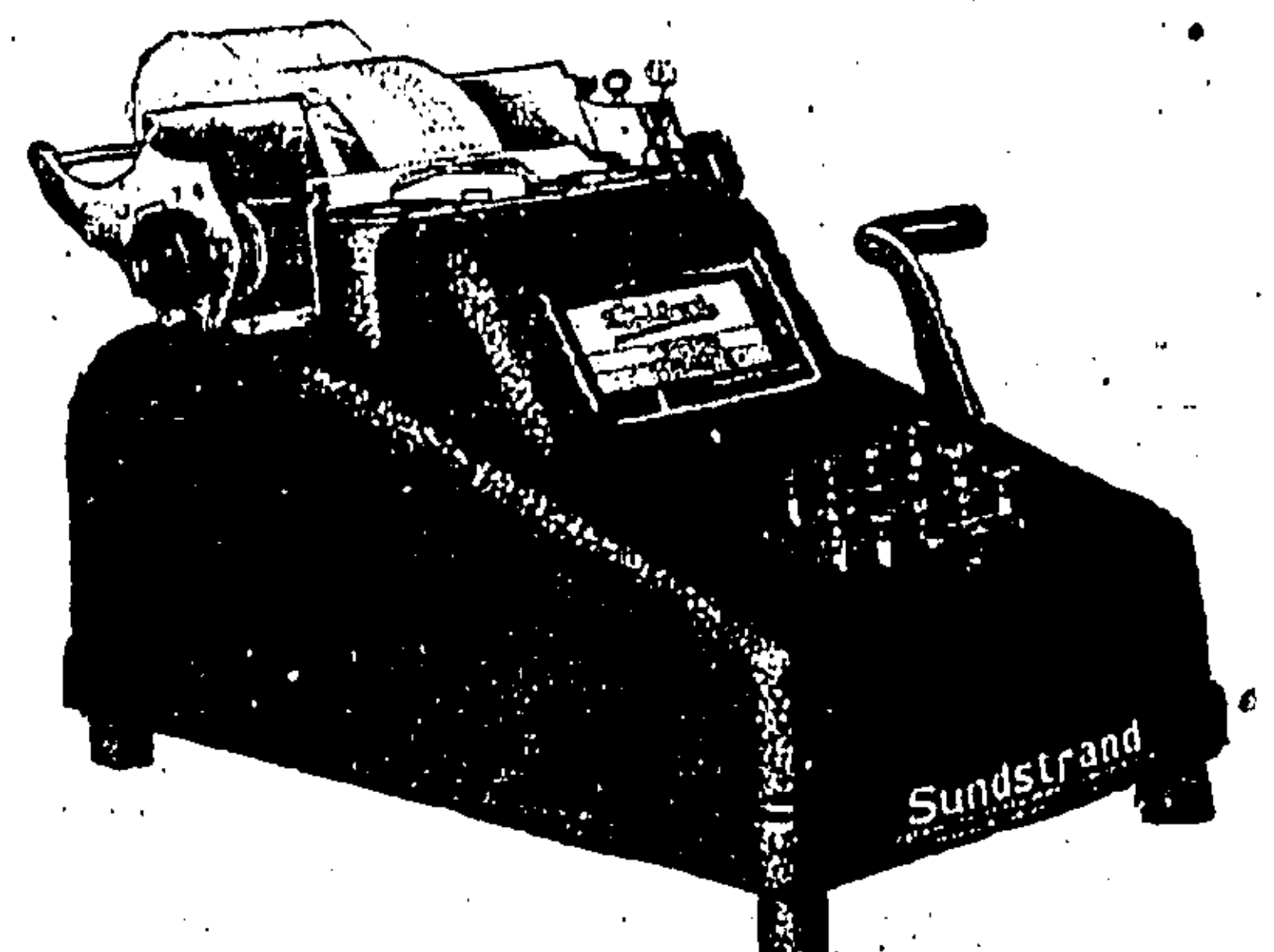
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THE HONGKONG JOCKEY
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Draft Programmes and Entry
 forms for the Thirtieth Extra
 Race Meeting to be held on Satur-
 day, 13th December, 1930 (Weather
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 the Race Course, Hongkong Club
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No. of Sale	Boundary	Locality	Measurements	Contents	Annual	Upset
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NOTICE IS HEREBY given that
 an Extraordinary General Meeting
 of the Company will be held at the
 offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co.,
 Ltd., Queen's Buildings Victoria
 in the Colony of Hongkong at
 11 o'clock in the forenoon on
 Monday, the 8th day of December,
 1930 for the purpose of consider-
 ing and, if thought fit, passing the
 following resolutions as Ex-
 traordinary Resolutions:—

1 That the Articles of Association
 of the Company be amended as
 follows:—

(a) By the insertion immedi-
 ately after Article 43 of the fol-
 lowing new Article, namely:

43 (A) The Company may by
 ordinary resolution cancel any
 shares which at the date of the
 passing of such resolution have
 not been taken or agreed to be
 taken by any person, and dis-
 diminish the amount of its
 share capital by the amount of
 the shares so cancelled.

(b) By the insertion immedi-
 ately after Article 102 of the
 following new Articles, name-
 ly:

102a. The Company may at any
 time and from time to time in
 general meeting by resolution
 authorize the General Managers
 to capitalize any profits of the
 Company not required for the
 time being for payment of
 dividend upon any preference
 shares of the Company or other
 shares issued upon any special
 conditions, whether standing to
 the credit of the Company's
 reserve fund or otherwise, and
 including profits arising from
 the appreciation in value of
 capital assets, and to allot to
 the members holding shares of
 the Company in respect of the
 net amount capitalized fully
 paid shares of the Company of
 equivalent nominal amount, and
 the General Managers shall
 give effect to any such resolu-
 tion accordingly, and any
 shares allotted pursuant to any
 such resolution shall be dis-
 tributed among the members
 holding shares of the Company
 so far as practicable in propor-
 tion to the number of shares
 held by them respectively, and
 shall be credited as fully paid
 by means of the profits so
 capitalized and the General
 Managers may make such
 provision by the issue of frac-
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 payment of cash or by sale and
 distribution of the proceeds or
 otherwise as they may think
 expedient for the ease of frac-
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 may appoint any person on
 behalf of the members to enter
 into any agreement with the
 Company providing for the
 allotment to them of such
 shares credited as fully paid up,
 and in satisfaction as afore-
 said and any agreement made
 under such authority shall be
 effective.

102b. The General Managers
 may, with the sanction of the
 Company in General Meeting,
 declare a dividend to be paid to
 the members according to their
 rights and interests in the
 profits, and may fix the time for
 payment and may with the like
 sanction declare and pay a
 dividend or bonus out of any
 reserve fund and fix the time for
 payment thereof and may with
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 pay bonuses to the Company's
 employees or any of them.

AND NOTICE is hereby further
 given that a further Extraordi-
 nary General Meeting of the Com-
 pany will be held at the same
 place on Tuesday, the 23rd day of
 December, 1930 at 11.5 o'clock in
 the forenoon or so soon thereafter
 as the above meeting shall have
 terminated, for the purpose of
 considering and, if thought fit,
 passing the following resolu-
 tions, namely:—

1. That the Company do hereby
 cancel all shares (namely, 22277
 shares numbered 27724 to 50000)
 which at the date hereof have
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THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Twelfth Extra Race Meeting
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 December, 1930, commencing at
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 rung at 1 p.m.

MEMBERS ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they
 and their ladies must wear their
 badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be
 admitted to the Members' En-
 closure. Badges admitting non-
 members to the Members' En-
 closure and Club Rooms at \$5. for
 Gentlemen and \$2. for Ladies, are
 obtainable through the Secretary
 upon introduction by a member,
 such member to be responsible for
 payment of all bills, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' En-
 closure will not be on sale at
 the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon ap-
 plication to the Secretary, badges
 (limited to two) for the free
 admission to the Members' En-
 closure of wives, lady relatives
 and friends. Names must be
 stated when applying. On no
 pretext will children be permitted
 in either Enclosure during the
 Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of admission to the
 Public Enclosure is \$1. for all
 persons including ladies and is
 payable at the gate. Soldiers and
 Sailors in uniform are admitted
 half price.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc.
 will not be permitted to operate
 within the Precincts of the Hong-
 kong Jockey Club during the
 Race Meeting.

By Order.

C. R. BROWN,
 Secretary.

2. That the Capital of the Com-
 pany be increased from its
 diminished capital of \$194,051.00
 Hongkong Currency divided into
 27,723 shares of \$7.00 each to
 \$500,010 Hongkong Currency
 divided into 71,430 shares of
 \$7.00 each and that such additional
 shares shall rank in all respects
 pari passu with the original
 capital of the Company.

3. That the Directors be and they
 are hereby authorised to
 capitalize the sum of \$77,630
 profits of the Company standing
 to the credit of the Company's
 Reserve Funds and to allot to the
 members holding shares of the
 Company as on the first day of
 January 1931 in respect of the net
 amount capitalized fully paid
 shares of the Company of
 equivalent nominal value in the
 proportion of two shares for every
 five shares of the Company then
 held by such persons respectively
 and that such shares so allotted
 shall rank for dividends as from
 the 1st day of January, 1931.

4. That if on such distribution as
 aforesaid any person would be
 entitled to a fraction of a share
 the General Managers shall in
 lieu of issuing fractional
 certificates cause the whole share
 to be allotted to a person or
 persons to be named by the
 General Managers and such share
 may at such time as the General
 Managers think fit be sold and the
 proceeds distributed amongst the
 persons entitled to the fractions
 making up the share.

5. That the Directors be and they
 are hereby authorised out of the
 profits of the Company standing
 to the credit of the Company's
 Reserve Funds to pay to the mem-
 bers holding the 27,723 existing
 shares of the Company as on the
 1st day of January, 1931 a sum
 equal to \$5.00 for every five shares
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Calcutta and Straits	Namsang	December 5.
Japan	Sydney Maru	December 5.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	December 6.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	December 6.
Manila	Empress of Asia	December 7.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 17th November) and Amoy	Tijkarung	December 7.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tekin	December 7.
Straits	Beckham	December 8.
Manila	Mirzapore	December 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	December 8.
Straits	D'Artagnan	December 9.
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Manila	Terukuni Maru	December 12.

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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco 21st Novem- ber)	Pres. Grant	December 16.
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	Letters	Registration .. Dec. 5, 5 p.m.

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Letters	Dec. 5, 10.00 a.m.
	G.P.O.
Parcels	Dec. 5, 5.00 p.m.
Registration	Dec. 5, 5.45 a.m.
Letters	Dec. 5, 10.30 a.m.
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 East Africa via Mombasa and
 S. Africa via Lourenco Marques

Per	Date and Time
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Takada	Sat., Dec. 6, 11.30 a.m.
Parcels	Sat., Dec. 6, noon
Letters	Sat., Dec. 6, 1 p.m.

Formosa Hokuroku Maru | Sat., Dec. 6, 12.30 p.m. |

Saigon City of Roubaix | Sat., Dec. 6, 1.30 p.m. |

Dalry Chusan | Sat., Dec. 6, 1.30 p.m. |

Manila Pres. Jefferson | Sat., Dec. 6, 4.30 p.m. |

Amoy and Japan Namsang | Sat., Dec. 6, 5 p.m. |

Bangkok via Swatow Kiangsu | Sun., Dec. 7, 8.30 a.m. |

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru | Sun., Dec. 7, 9 a.m. |

Amoy Kwangtung | Sun., Dec. 7, 9 a.m. |

Swatow Hydrangea | Mon., Dec. 8, 3 p.m. |

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Letters Registration .. Dec. 8, 5 p.m. |

Manila and Sourabaya Tijkarung | Tues., Dec. 9, 9.30 a.m. |

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FRIDAY, DEC. 5, 1930.

RATING REFORM.

A point of considerable importance in connexion with the assessment of property for rating purposes was raised by the Colonial Secretary yesterday on the introduction of the new scale which is to come into force from the beginning of next year. It was shown that under the existing law, no differentiation is made between the public services for which rates are payable and the Government now proposes to review the whole matter in an attempt to find a uniform percentage charge to be levied in all rated areas for the services which are provided. The intention is to bring this simplified table into operation as from July 1st next. Mr. Hallifax stated yesterday that a rather vague practice has grown up to allocate rates to specific expenditure but pointed out that there has been no rule requiring adherence to a uniform percentage. There is no doubt, however, that originally the total percentage was specifically divided so as to cover police protection, lighting, fire protection and water. How it has come about that this grading has been done away with, we do not know; suffice it to say, however, that the rates have for years past been based on varying percentages for different localities, and that the proceeds have gone to the general revenue of the Colony.

It is satisfactory to know that the Government intends to institute a much-needed reform so as to bring the rating of the Colony more into line with services provided than is at present the case. We would suggest, however, that reform is needed not only in regard to the allocation of the rates, but also in the matter of the method of assessment. According to the Ordinance, rateable value means rent at which any tenement may be reasonably expected to let. In other words, rental is the sole factor. Where houses are actually occupied, the rates are fixed on a percentage of the rental actually paid; where the property is unoccupied or owner-occupied, the calculation is on what it might be expected to yield in the way of rental. This is quite contrary to the Home practice, where property is assessed on a rateable value basis which takes account of all manner of considerations. It may be true that these considerations would be reflected in the rent, but rental apart, houses of the same type and accommodation, in

the same locality are uniformly treated for purposes of rating. Here in Hongkong that is not necessarily the case. Indeed, it may so happen that two adjoining houses identical in every respect may be differently assessed for rating purposes simply because, through fortuitous circumstances, they are rented at different prices. The landlord of one may not ask so much as the landlord of the other, or one may have been let on long lease and its rental therefore show a variation as compared with the other. In England, considerations of this character would not have any influence; there would be uniform rating of the two properties. Moreover, the rateable value in England is almost invariably lower than the actual rent.

There can be little doubt that the method of assessment which at present prevails here is rather haphazard in character and is one which leads to all manner of anomalies. The necessity would appear to be to devise a procedure more in line with the Home practice, which would secure greater uniformity of treatment than at present obtains. For this purpose, the task should be allotted to a qualified assessment staff which would work on a basis of property values. We note that the Government intends to leave the question of water rates, as requiring separate treatment, when it draws up its new table. Precisely what this implies is not at the moment clear. If, however, it is intended to raise more revenue from the water services, we may, when the proposals are outlined, have some criticisms to make of any proposal tending in that direction.

Mr. Darling's Silver Plan.

America's interest in Mr. Darling's proposals for the stabilisation of silver in its relation to gold at a figure which would restore Asia's position as a big buyer in European and American markets, is certain to be duplicated in Hongkong. The Colony has everything to gain and very little to lose by a concerted effort to put it into effect. The sceptics will, of course, make the most of the fact that Mr. Darling aims exceedingly high in seeking a ratio of 20 ozs. of silver to 1 oz. of gold, but that there is method in his madness becomes evident when his motives are revealed. There seems to be an idea in some quarters that the proposal is quixotic and for that reason is likely to come to nothing. It does not require a very long view, however, to appreciate that the benefits to accrue will find foreign industrialists with a very large share, apart from the fact that international finance will obtain immense relief in a departure from rigid adherence to the gold standard, which is one of the major causes in the world's economic ills. The fall in silver prices, if not "artificially" arrested and placed on a higher and firm basis, must mean two things, equally important, in every day economies. In the first place, it means that 1,000,000,000 people have virtually lost their power to purchase goods of any quantity from countries on a gold basis, that European and American manufacturers have lost an outlet for their goods. Unemployment becomes rife in those countries and the vicious circle goes on. Secondly, there is the still more menacing slide from the point of view of industrialists abroad, the possibility of Asia turning manufacturer—as she must do if the process of adjustment to present levels is allowed to go on indefinitely—and dumping goods into America and Europe at low prices, made easy by labour paid on a depreciated silver basis. It might be a very long time before Asia produced an exportable surplus, but if the West desires to retain its present position in the commercial scheme, and does not desire to see all accepted values of the present stamped, the lenders of finance and Mr. Darling's scheme would at least form a basis for discussion at a world conference. A ratio of 30 to 1 would place the dollar in a fully satisfying position.

DAY BY DAY

TRIDE IS OBSERVED TO DEFEAT ITS OWN END, BY BRINGING THE MAN WHO SEES ESTEEM AND REVERENCE INTO CONTEMPT.—*Holmgrooke.*

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Joseph Harrop, of Huntington, Stubbs Road, to Miss Phyllis Margaret Goodall, of Ava House, May Road.

Li Hon (18), an apprentice, was admitted as a mental case into the Government Civil Hospital yesterday after being discovered acting in a strange manner at Central Street.

Mrs. B. Thompson of the Advertising and Publicity Bureau, arrived in Hongkong to-day by the s.s. "Kavalpindi" after a ten months' business tour of Europe and the United States.

We have received from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul a further list of donations to the forthcoming fête in aid of Hongkong's poor. It includes a sum of \$150 from Sir Robert Ho Tung.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, before Mr. Butters, a Chinese was charged with the unlawful possession of 604 lbs. of tobacco, on which the duty had not been paid. He pleaded not guilty, and the case was remanded for one week. Bail in \$5,000 was granted.

Inspector Marks, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged a Chinese with possession of two cords of raw opium in Jordan Road. The defendant said the opium had been given to him by a man in Wooning Street. A fine of \$60 or one month's imprisonment was imposed.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

VISITED BY GOVERNOR AND LADY PEEL.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir William Peel), paid a visit to the Chinese Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon, when an inspection of the building was carried out, the visitors displaying great interest in the activities of the Association. They were received by a guard of honour composed of the Y.M.C.A. Company of St. John Ambulance Brigade, under the direction of Officer Sze To-chung, and at the entrance of the building were greeted by Mr. K. L. Chan (President of the Chinese Y.M.C.A.), Mr. J. D. Bush (Vice-President), Mr. Y. L. Tso, Mr. J. L. McPherson and the Board of Directors.

After tea had been enjoyed, the party made a tour of the building. His Excellency being greatly interested in the work, especially in the large number of boys and young men whom he saw taking part in various activities. The gymnasium and swimming bath came in for particular attention, the visitors speaking highly of the excellent facilities provided.

LESLIE BISHOP on

WHAT OXFORD TAUGHT ME.

FOUR years at a public school make Oxford seem at first a paradise of freedom—freedom to drink, smoke, and laugh wickedly in spacious rooms, which are your own for a year.

Thought wings fruer in Oxford than outside, but three years of it make you ready for the salt gusts of an unsheltered world.

If, instead of thinking of it as a dream city of spires, you consider it from the purely sanitary point of view you are liable to awake suddenly.

The best way to get an idea of the place in twenty minutes is to climb New College bell tower. Think how dirty it is on the way up and see how beautiful it looks when you get to the top.

A Contrast.

To those who do not take exercise, it may seem a grey town of neurotic, unimaginative men, reeking of beer. To those who do, it seems the best place on earth.

The well-dressed men in the college are the scouts and the worst dressed the dons. All the older dons regard themselves as the Portland vase and walk accordingly, trailing beards in some cases.

You will probably be educated in spite of your tutor by meeting intelligent youth and hearing the great men of the world heckled at mushroom societies and forming your own opinion.

For Oxford has a large heart. You will meet Russian monarchists in exile, who drown thoughts of the Soviet in port, young men who place bedroom furniture on steeples, light bonfires in quadrangles, or preach sermons standing on their heads—Indians, Poles, balloon-madcaps, and Japanese princesses.

The Morris Works have made it more cosmopolitan still.

Undergraduates may be defined generally as unfortunate persons who maintain in prosperity large towns in unhealthy vicinities and are, consequently, distrusted to a unique degree by most of the inhabitants thereof.

A rowing man need never fear death. Rowing is so much more unpleasant. The best row I knew said once, "Rowing is fun to watch and fun to have got over, but the devil to do." . . . Suspense . . . and then "Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, one and, a bang . . . Breathless hell and meaningless roaring from the tow-path till you crash triumphantly into the boat in front or the bank or get crashed into from behind . . . or seven blind minutes of sweat till you finish the course, if you do neither.

But I would rather throw darts in a pub with a rowing hearty than listen to painful and sometimes deformed young men being clever at a literary tea-party or a Union debate.

There is an attempt to make undergraduates sexually hideous by statute, but, like other women, they are often ugly, sometimes beautiful, occasionally intelligent, and usually harmless. The effort to keep the sexes apart encourages each to spend its spare time discussing the other and favours words more than deeds.

The Dramatic Society has a false reputation for being full of decadent eccentrics. It is, in fact, full of earnest young Colonials with a flair for brilliant stage lighting and obsessed with Shakespeare. Modern drama more or less died with the Playhouse.

Who ever heard of a greener, more puntable river than the Cherwell?

Ten-pound cars and raucous motor-cycles are so plentiful that no one need confine his interests to Oxford. I spent four very happy days of one term in Glasgow.

No one takes the proctors very seriously, least of all themselves.

I only heard of one man ever being caught on the spikes while climbing over the college wall at night. He stayed stuck till morning, poor fellow.

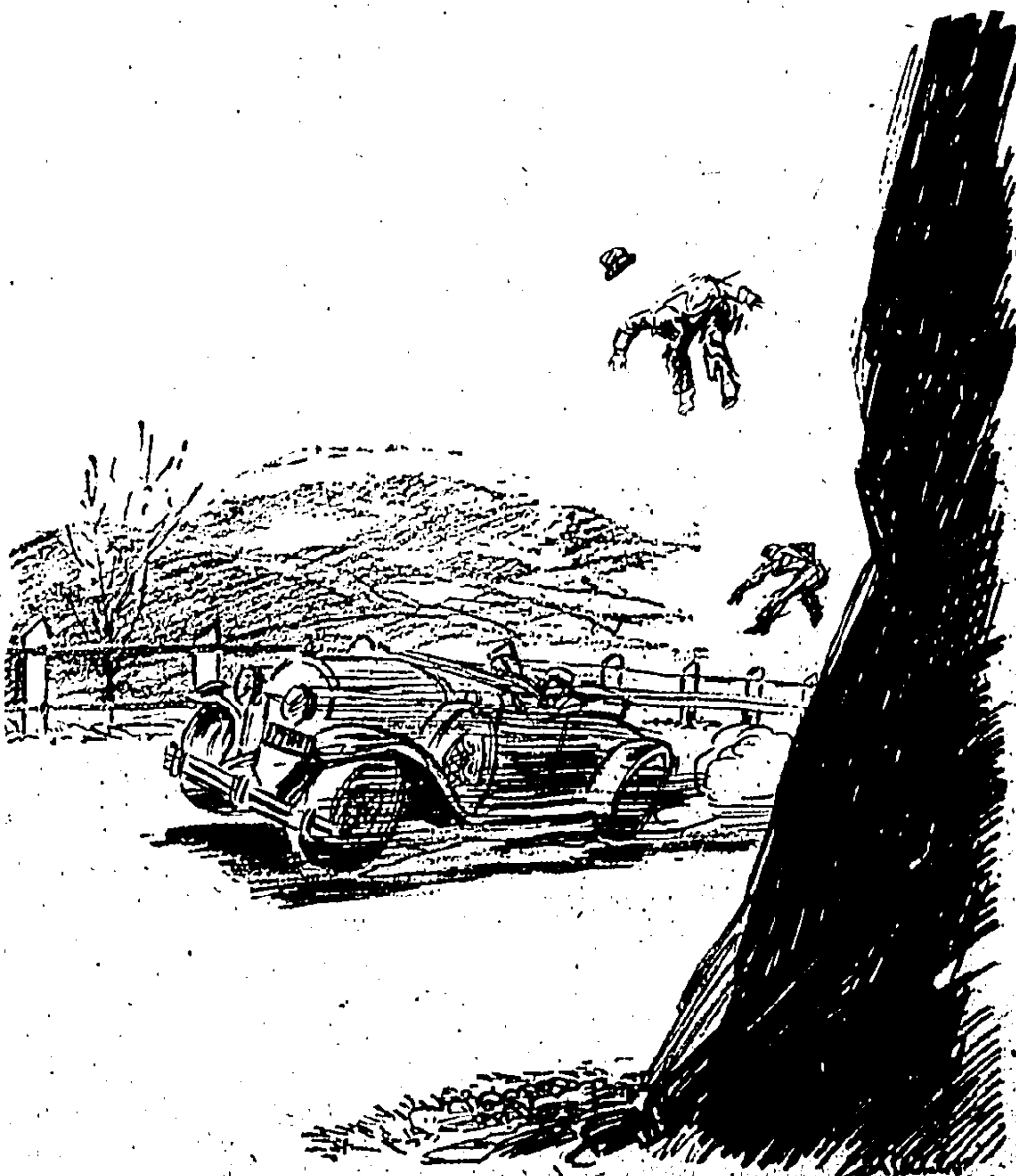
Landladies.

You are generally in lodgings your last year, and the landlady problem is acute. Both the worthy women who sheltered me had troubles and inadequate bathrooms. Commemoration—dancing till morning dawns over the college garden with a woman you love—(you are a fool to pay four guineas for tickets if you do not love her)—is quite wonderful.

Memories—elder in the cricket pavilion, the spray freezing on the ear blades in the great frost, meeting an American, who introduced me to his own unsaddened country, the stillness of the great libraries, facing cars and devil-may-care people roaring at everything under the sun.

Oxford encourages two wrong ideas about the outside world. The first is that it does not exist. The second is that those people in it, who are very poor, must necessarily be very miserable.

Our revels now are ended. Were they worth while? What a question! Were we self-conscious schoolboys or were we happy? Is not happiness always worth while?



"Huh, Sweetie, this ain't nothin'. Why, I can do eighty when I ain't hittin' no one."

CAPITAL BOXING PROGRAMME.

STERLING BOUTS ASSURED TO-MORROW EVENING.

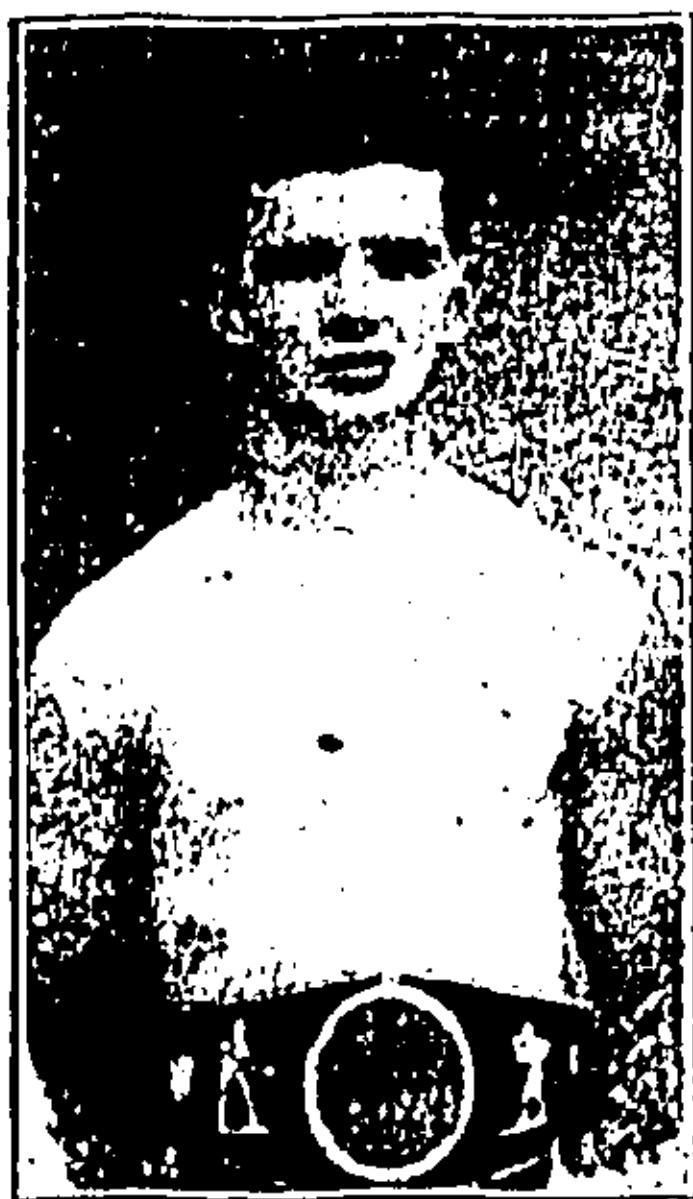
\$1,400 AT STAKE IN MAIN EVENT.

BEGBIE AND MORRIS.

[By "Wanderer."]

If the programme arranged by the Hongkong Boxing Association for to-morrow night at the City Hall lacks anything, it is certainly not interest. Four men of the highest class are opposed in the two principal events of the evening, while the contestants in the preliminaries will all be making their debut in the local ring, providing a stimulating air of uncertainty.

The main event, the light-weight championship contest over fifteen rounds between Stoker Perry Lake and A. B. Dobson, promises a full of good sport. Both men are as fit as a fiddle.



Stoker Lake.

and it is of interest to note that in addition to the purse of \$400 put up by the Association, they are fighting for \$1,000 aside.

Lake Favourite.

In Naval circles, Lake has been boosted into favouritism, but the supporters of Dobson are quietly confident, and Dobson himself refuses to contemplate the idea of defeat. It may be noted that Lake has not been defeated since his appearance in the Colony. He was light-weight champion of Hongkong in 1927, of All China in 1928, of the West Indies in 1929, and the China Fleet, Atlantic Fleet and Mediterranean Fleet in 1930. While in England, he fought and defeated Young Johnny Brown, Ernie Jarvis, and Kid Socks.

A. B. Dobson won the Imperial Services featherweight championship this year. Among his contests with leading contenders in England, he has beaten Kid Fario on points over 12 rounds, beat Tag Wilson on a K. O. in four rounds, beat Johnny Kilbane on a K. O. in



A. B. Dobson.

two rounds, lost to Andre Regis, the French champion, on points at Algiers, beat Benny Sharkey (now a severe contender for the British light-weight championship) on points in twelve rounds, and knocked out Sid Smith (Peckham) in nine rounds.

It seems unnecessary to add that the contestants appear to be extraordinarily well matched.

The Ten Rounder.

Sigmund Morris, who meets A. B. Begbie, of the Berwick, over ten rounds, requires no introduction. He has won local championships, has fought the best men in Shanghai and is just fresh back from home where he won the R.N. and R.M. championship. Begbie is the holder of the China Squadron Championship for the current year, and in the last twelve months he has engaged in drawn fights with Jim Cartledge and Jack Crichton.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY.

9.00 a.m.—H. Spicer and C. B. Riggs.
9.04 a.m.—J. H. Crawford and H. W. Dully.
9.12 to 9.24.—Not to be booked. Championship matches below should be allowed to pass any matches in front.
9.20 a.m.—N. L. Smith and F. J. de Rome.
9.25 a.m.—I. Newton and J. S. MacLaren.
9.30 a.m.—J. W. Franks and A. H. Munro.
9.35 a.m.—H. U. Ireland and J. M. Walker.
9.40 a.m.—I. W. Shewan and O. E. C. Marton.
9.45 a.m.—A. T. Lay and A. B. Stewart.
9.50 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and J. K. Macfarlan.
9.55 a.m.—I. H. Gane and L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.00 a.m.—K. S. Robertson and J. G. Campbell.
10.04 a.m.—D. J. Gilmore and J. A. Stuart.
10.08 a.m.—D. Ellis and S. S. Perry.
10.12 a.m.—T. Grant and H. Hampton.
10.16 a.m.—W. A. Butterfield and H. G. McAvoy.
10.20 a.m.—J. J. French and M. B. Matthews.
10.24 a.m.—G. W. Garrett and S. J. H. Fox.
10.28 a.m.—R. E. Atwell and G. T. May.
10.32 a.m.—I. Yates and H. Lowe.
10.36 a.m.—J. Conthart and G. E. Ellman.
10.40 a.m.—C. W. Jeffries and E. D. Matthews.
10.44 a.m.—P. S. Grant and J. B. Langton.
10.48 a.m.—T. J. Keogh and R. A. Campbell.
10.52 a.m.—E. T. Nash and J. E. Richardson.
10.56 a.m.—H. H. Williams and A. W. Muir.
11.00 a.m.—F. S. Wei and C. Conde.
11.04 a.m.—J. R. Dovey and J. S. Dykes.
11.08 a.m.—O. Eaker and A. D. Humphreys.
11.12 a.m.—A. C. Coppin and E. des Voeux.
11.16 a.m.—J. D. Hutchison and W. N. Buyers.
11.20 a.m.—H. C. Russell and A. R. Stone.
11.24 a.m.—S. A. Seth and H. A. Lamert.
11.28 a.m.—T. C. Monaghan and C. Thwaites.
11.32 a.m.—G. Costello and R. M. Fekterly.
11.36 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and A. R. Cox.
11.40 a.m.—R. C. Durschmidt and C. R. Shank.
11.44 a.m.—D. Black and A. Soumerfelt.
11.48 a.m.—W. D. Harris and H. R. Campbell.
11.52 a.m.—A. C. L. Bowker and D. Forbes.
11.56 a.m.—A. Ritchie and D. S. Robb.
12.00 a.m.—A. E. Lissman and R. Young.
12.04 p.m.—B. D. Evans and G. W. Reeve.
12.08 p.m.—N. K. Littlejohn and A. Leach.
12.12 p.m.—A. O. Brava and A. B. Parves.
12.16 p.m.—R. Sanger and K. K. Rous.
12.20 p.m.—R. G. Edwards-Jones and J. H. Davy.
12.24 p.m.—G. B. S. Thomson and W. J. Clerk.
12.28 p.m.—T. Low and E. M. Brydon.
12.32 a.m.—R. H. Stuart and C. R. Matthei.
12.36 p.m.—V. R. Gordon and W. Stewart.
No fourballs till 1.30 p.m.

Letter From Cartledge.

It may be of interest to local followers of boxing to learn that Cartledge is still going strong in spite of his age. Recently he wrote: We had a good time at Raigun while we were there and I won another pot for boxing. Let I forgot to tell you before, before we started the cruise we held the Squadron sports and I won the championship of the East Indies Station. I had three fights altogether. One man was from the Ellingham and the other two from the Enterprise. Two I gave eighteen years and the other I gave nineteen, so I must still be fighting fit, though one of them was hard to beat. He was something like Ewin. I had to make a proper "hell fight" of it to beat him. I had him groggy in the first round, but he was so tall that I found it difficult to get in a solid punch. Incidentally this was the welterweight title, though I was only two pounds over the light-weight limit. I could have done the lights, but by going into the welters our ship's chances of winning the trophy were rosier.

The Preliminaries.

The rest of the programme for to-morrow night is appended: Pte. Roberts, S. W. Roderers meets Seaman Maguire, Medway, in a six rounds light-weight contest.

Stoker Berry, Marazion, meets Stoker Tyzack, Berwick, in a six rounds welterweight contest.

Seaman Kelly, Medway, meets A. B. Worthington, Berwick, in a six rounds light weight contest.

Corpl. Robson, Argylla, is opposed to Pte. McGaw, Argylla, in a four rounds light-weight contest. The men weigh in on Saturday at 1.15 p.m. and the public is invited to witness the "ceremony."

VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieut-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., state:

Parades.

Corps Band.—There will be no parades for the week commencing Monday, 8th. December. The Band will be in camp at full strength from Friday, 5th, to Sunday, 7th, December.

Battery.—There will be no parades except as ordered by O. C. Battery. Uniform.—Any member whose uniform is not completed must inform B.Q.M.S. Davis and draw the necessary items before camp, commencing 12th, 14th, and 16th, December.

Engineer Company.—Monday, December 8th, Miniature Range shoot at 5.30 p.m. Thursday, December 11th, D.L. instruction at Wellington Barracks, 5.30 p.m. All ranks who attended camp are requested to attend on either of the above two dates to draw pay.

Corps Signals.—There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 11th, December.

Machine Gun Troop.—There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters for Machine Gun instruction at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 11th, December.

Armour Car Company.—Section 1, Parade at Kowloon Ferry at 5.15 p.m. on Friday, 5th, December and proceed to camp at Fanling.

Dress: Helmets slung on left shoulder, Beret caps, Khaki Tunic, Breeches, Puttees mounted fashion, Bandoliers, Haversacks, Waterbottles, Great Coat and slings, Regulation Pattern Shirts, Hose and Shorts to be taken with baggage. Revolvers are to be drawn at Volunteer Headquarters between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on Friday, 5th, December. Motor Cycle Section: Parade at Kowloon

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

To-morrow's Selection of Pictures.

Sporting and other pictures of topical interest will appear in considerable number in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Art Supplement. There will be several pictures of last Saturday's Race Meeting, including many of the winners, and a group of Ewan jockeys, whilst other sporting events illustrated will be the England v. Scotland ladies' hockey match, the football match between the Civilians and Navy, the mixed doubles (semi-open) final at the L.R.C., and a group of the Elia' 1500 tennis team.

Weddings illustrated will be those of Mr. Lam Kai-tit and Miss Wong Lai-kuan, and of Mr. Lo Wing-ho and Miss Jessie Lam.

Amongst other pictures will be a number taken at the Defence Corps camp, a group of the Scottish Co. taken after Sunday's church parade, and another at the dinner given by local medicals to Sir John and Lady Bland-Sutton.

Railway Station in accordance with orders issued separately by O. C. Section. There will be a parade at Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. on Monday, 8th, December for Machine Gun instruction.

Machine Gun Company.—Parade: Tuesday, 8th, December, at Headquarters in Mufti. Fall in at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Training under Platoon Arrangements.

Scottish Company.—There will be no parades on Thursday, 11th, December, 1930, but all ranks are reminded that equipment and rifle should be drawn on that date for camp. The Company will attend camp during the week-end, commencing Friday, 12th, December.

Kilts and Gilegarries will be worn to proceed to and from camp, and shorts will be worn in camp.

Portuguese Company.—Camp: The Company will be in camp during week-end, December 5th-7th. Details have already been issued. Part II Musketry: On Sunday, December 21st, all those who have not fired Part II classification this season, will be proceeding to Stonecutters Range. Details will be issued later. Parade: There will be no parade on Friday, 12th, December.

Strength.

The following have been taken on Corps Strength:—1667 Pte. T. S. Fraser, No. 6 Platoon; 1668 Bdm. S. Cousin, Mercantile B400, Corps Band; 1669 Pte. M. M. Maher, No. 12A; 1670 Pte. Chong Shu-lam, Medical Section; 1661 Pte. F. C. Manning, No. 3 Platoon; 1662 Sigm. C. A. L. Rum-john, Corps Signals.

Struck Off The Strength.

Having Left The Colony.—No. 1343 Pte. V. W. L. Stanion and No. 1394 Pte. H. L. F. Ewin, No. 4 Platoon as from 1.12.30.

Leave.

1613 L/Cpl. F. C. B. Black, No. 4 Platoon, 10.11.30 to 18.12.30.
1314 Pte. A. Chapman, No. 7 Platoon, 21.11.30 to 4.12.30.
1537 Tpr. T. Lindars, M. G. Troop, 21.11.30 to 30.11.30.
1462 Sgt. L. Goodman, No. 1 Platoon, 20.11.30 to 31.12.30.
1461 Pte. M. Wood, No. 2 Platoon, 3.12.30 to 31.12.30.
235 C.S.M. D. Davies, Medical Sec., 6.12.30 to 5.12.31.

BRITISH TRADE MISSION.

CORDIAL WELCOME ACCORD-ED IN NANKING.

Nanking, Dec. 4.

The members of the British Trade Mission to the Far East were entertained at a tea-party at Government House this afternoon by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who gave a cordial welcome to the visitors, saying he believed that the visit would further cement the existing friendly relations between the commercial communities of the two countries.

Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to China, Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Chairman of the Judicial Council, and the British Consul-General at Nanking were also present.

Concerning the plans to prepare for the removal of the Foreign Legations to Nanking, the Construction Commission has announced a conference of members of the Nanking Municipal Government and Foreign Ministry for to-morrow regarding the assignment of sites in different parts of Nanking for the construction of future Legation Quarters. The Nanking authorities seem to be quite confident that the foreign authorities in Peking will be willing to remove South.

LLOYD TRIESTINO'S NEW SHIP.

PLANS TO BEAT RECORDS FROM FAR EAST.

The Lloyd Triestino steamer *Gange*, which arrived in Hongkong yesterday for the first time and sailed in the afternoon for Shanghai, is a vessel which will, it is believed, break all records for the trip from Hongkong to Italy.

According to her schedule, she will make Brindisi in 24 days from Hongkong.

She is commanded by Captain Petries, and carries a large number of passengers.

CHINA'S QUARANTINE SERVICES.

EXPERT FROM LEAGUE ON WAY OUT.

Geneva, Dec. 4.

Mr. Rajchman, the Director of the Health Section of the League of Nations, has left for China following the receipt of an invitation from the Chinese Government in connexion with the re-organisation of the quarantine services at Chinese ports.

The scheme provides for periodical visits by experts of the League of Nations.—*Reuter*.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	123.565	123.546
Geneva	25.004	25.004
Berlin	20.36	20.36
Osaka	18.16	18.16
Hankow	193	192
Athens	375	375
Buenos Aires	38.5	38.9/16
Shanghai	1/63	1/64
New York	4.85/17/32	4.85/19/32
Amsterdam	12.064	12.064
Stockholm	18.154	18.09/2
Vienam	34.494	34.49/2
Madrid	43.25	43.60
Bucharest	818	818
Montevideo	38.5	38.13/16
Hongkong	1/2.9/16	1/2.9/16
Brussels	34.81/2	34.80
Milan	32.54/2	32.54/2
Copenhagen	18.154	18.154
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Prague	163.5	163.5
Rio	4.75	4.25/32
Bombay	1/63	1/64
Yokohama	2/0.17/32	2/0.17/16
Silver (spot)	16.5/16	16.5/16
(forward)	16.5	16.5/16

—British Wireless.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI against the 93rd Highlanders at King's Park on Monday at 5 p.m. sharp:—W. Borrowman, L. F. Nicholson, A. J. R. Wolff, L. A. R. Dunne, E. G. S. Dale, A. A. R. Botelho, S. J. H. Fox, T. W. Southam, W. A. Nowers, R. H. D. Wade, E. C. Fincher.

No. 1066 L/Cpl. G. G. Stopand-Thomson, No. 7 Platoon, returned from leave on 20th November, 1930. (Sgd.) W. H. G. GATNER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Holls, Checking Of.

Officers Commanding the undermentioned Units will please make arrangements for a responsible representative to check their Rolls with those of the Adjutant during the last two weeks-end in camp:—1, Portuguese Company; 2, Machine Gun Troop; 3, Scottish Company.

In addition to numbers and names, the latest addresses and the names of those on leave are urgently required. A similar check of the Battery and the Engineer Company Rolls is required. Officers Commanding the above two Units will please inform the Adjutant as to when they will be able to carry out this check.

Battery After Order.

There will be a parade on Thursday, December 11th at 5.15 p.m. at Headquarters for the whole Battery.

The Battery will proceed to camp on Friday, December 12th at 5.45 p.m. from Kowloon Ferry. Details later.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1720 b.
Chartered Bank, \$19 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$27 n.
East Asia \$115 b.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$1205 b.
Union Ins., \$500 b.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
China Underwriters, \$3.30 sa.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Fires, \$400 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$1200 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$28 3/4 sa.
H. K. Steamboats, \$31 1/4 sa.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$24 n.
Union Waterboats, \$39 sa.

Mining.

Hengqua, 19.25 b.
Kallans, 37/6 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 1 b.
Rauba, \$31.70 sa.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$171 sa.
Whampoa Docks, \$32 sa.
China Providents, \$5.35 sa. (old).
Hongkew, Tls. 280 n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 7.10 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 114 n.

Cottons.

Ewo Cottons, Tls. 11.60* sa.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 79 (old) n.
Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$11.40 sa.
H. K. Lands, \$82 1/4 sa. (old).
do. 81 1/4 sa.

Shai Lands Tls. 319 n.

Humphreys, \$17 sa.

Realties, \$9.35 b.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$18 b.
Peak Trams, (old) \$14 1/4 b.
Star Ferries, \$92 1/2 b.

China Lights, (Old) \$26.65 sa.

H. K. Electric, \$29.30 b.

Macao Electric, \$22 n.

Telephones, \$35 1/2 b.

China Buses, Tls. 19 n.

Singapore Tractions, 7/6 sa.

Industrials.

China Sugars, 80 cts. b.

Malabons, \$27 n.

Cald. Macg. Ord. Tls. 10.75 n.

Canton Ices, \$3.80 n.

Cements (Comb) \$18.80 b.

Ropes, \$11.25 b.

United Asbestos \$5 sa.

Stores, etc.

Dairy Farms, \$27.25 b.

Watsons, \$12.80 n.

Der A. Wings, \$1 n.

Lane Crawford, \$3.70 n.

Mackintosh, \$19 n.

Sinceres, \$11.60 n.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$23 n.

Constructions, \$4 1/2 b.

B'que Ind. G. Bonds, \$69 % b.

H.K.G. Loan 6% Prem.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended December 4th, 1909.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 8 1/2/16d.

Mr. William Jolly was appointed Secretary of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., and Mr. G. A. Caldwell as Assistant Secretary.

St. Andrew's Hall was a great success. The Chief-in was Mr. J. R. M. Smith, and amongst members of the various sub-committees were Dr. G. D. R. Black, Messrs. R. Shewan, J. W. C. Bonnar, R. M. Dyer, C. G. Mackie, J. M. McHutchon, A. R. Sutherland and D. Keith.

The A. D. C. announced the forthcoming production of "The Treador."

FRESH; FINE.

The Royal Observatory states that the anticyclone is now shown as a belt of high pressure from N.E. China to Mid-Japan. A typhoon midway between Ashigaki and Naha is moving N. or N.N.E. Strong to moderate monsoon prevails along S.E. China and over the N. China Sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is: North winds, fresh; fine.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.

THIRTY-SIX PEOPLE KILLED IN BRAZIL.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 4.
Thirty-six people were killed and three buildings destroyed in an explosion of dynamite in a wagon at a railway station at Porto Novo da Cunha, in the State of Minas Geraes. The dynamite wagon had been shunted on to a siding since the recent revolution.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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LADIES' DOUBLES TENNIS.

GOOD GAMES IN THE SEMI-FINALS.

Mrs. Taylor, partnered by Mrs. Keary, will meet Mrs. Gull and Mrs. McCaw in the final of the ladies' doubles tennis championship of the Colony on Monday next, both pairs yesterday being successful in their third round ties.

They have fully earned this distinction, and at the U.S.R.C. yesterday afternoon, delighted a large gallery with excellent wins over Miss Lo and Mrs. Patterson, and Mrs. MacTavish and Mrs. Cuthill respectively.

The defeat of Miss Lo, the singles champion, and Mrs. Patterson in two straight sets came as a real surprise, but they had to bow to a superior pair, and have the satisfaction of knowing that their defeat helped in the making of the most attractive games seen for a long time.

The second set was studied with many excellent things, enjoyable phases of the exchanges being the splendid recovery work of Miss Lo and the brilliant attacks of Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Keary. These two displayed almost perfect understanding and shared the work so well as to make their defence quite impregnable. The scores were 6-3, 7-5.

Mrs. Gull and Mrs. McCaw had an easier task than was expected, and also won through in straight sets, with scores of 6-3, 6-2.

Mrs. Gull was the outstanding of the four players, and gave a very fine display. Mrs. McCaw played well up to a point but was not too safe, and the losers might well have concentrated upon her to better effect.

MacTavish appeared to be suffering from the effects of being conscious of the importance of the match, and never reached true form, thus destroying the combinative value of the losing pair. Mrs. Cuthill tried desperately to cover up the mistakes, but the task was beyond her. She was, however, largely responsible for keeping alive the interest in the match.

The games were well umpired by Capt. E. G. Etherington and Paymaster-Commander Parsons.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

HIGHLANDERS HAVE NARROW WIN AT KING'S PARK.

A draw would perhaps have been a fairer result of the hockey match between the Y.M.C.A. and the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders played at King's Park yesterday, but as it was the soldiers won by the only goal scored, and that in the closing minutes of the game.

It was an interesting and entertaining contest, but the Y.M.C.A. were suffering under rather a severe handicap in playing two men short, and they undoubtedly owed their defeat to this factor.

It was a game where defence triumphed over attack, and in this respect, F. Rees, the home-side's only full back, was the outstanding player on the field. He worked in defatigably throughout and was largely responsible for keeping the visitors' score down to the one goal. A little more enterprise on the part of both sets of forwards would have enhanced the game more.

The Hockey Club put up a disappointing display in the first half against the Army at the U.S.R.C. yesterday, and conceding four goals, could never recover.

There was a hesitancy about the whole eleven in the initial stages of the game, which allowed the visitors to score almost at will.

The Club pulled themselves together after the change-over, but deplorable shooting by the forwards robbed them of any chances to reduce the deficit, and they eventually lost by the four goals scored in the opening exchanges.

The following will represent the R.S.C. Hockey team in a hockey match with the University at 4.30 p.m. to-day on University ground:—B. S. Gill, A. E. P. Guest, J. S. Grevill, Kalwant Singh, Mohinder Singh, Attar Singh, M. H. Hasana, Gurbachan Singh, Awtar Singh (Captain), R. Khan and Mr. Kemp.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

BORDERERS DEFEAT THE SMALL SHIPS.

The ground at Sookumpoo yesterday was much too hard for good rugby, and there seemed to have been no watering done, whilst the rain during the night had, seeped right away. However, the game was bright and fast, and the Borderers had the satisfaction of winning by two tries to one. Teams were as follows:

Small Ships.—Lt. Martin; Chambers, Morgan, Lt. Atkinson, Barrett; Pidsley, Lt. Hewitt; Arrowsmith, Sutcliffe, Matthews, Shute, Hardy, Lusk, Kennell, Evans.
Borderers.—Frankham; Shaw; Rees, Lt. Richardson, Lt. Hope; Rees; Moore; Hardy, Cockburn, Bramley, Hemmings, Lt. Home, Perry, Lloyd, Burch.

Club "A" Team to Meet Borderers. The following will represent the Club "A" v South Wales Borderers to-morrow, December 6, at 4 p.m.—Back, J. P. Whitlam; Threequarters, G. R. Mori, G. A. L. Plimmer, Allen and W. D. Johnson; Halfbacks, J. H. King, and J. J. Bonner (Capt.); Forwards, W. F. Leckie, W. E. Pezra, W. Hartley, E. F. Buttress, A. R. Cox, W. R. Andrews, W. J. Kerr, and B. L. Stock.
Referee, G. F. Rees.

THE LAI WAH CUP ANOMALY.

ASSOCIATION IGNORES RESERVES.

FIXTURE LIST FOR TO-MORROW.

[By "Wanderer."]

There has been a good deal of talk in Soccer circles this week about the handling of the Lai Wah Cup game last Saturday—not in the matter of refereeing, though that was none too brilliant—but in the substitution of players in the Civilian side. Three reserves were selected and when players of the original team dropped out it was natural that they should expect to be played, but nothing of the kind was permitted; other players were brought in to fill the vacancies.

I am not in a position to say whether all the reserves turned up, or not, but certainly one of them, a very capable half-back, was on the ground quite ready.

The Association is obviously in the wrong in the face of the facts, and their action is not conducive to the best spirit of the game. If Clubs advised such of their players as might be selected as reserves for representative games not to turn up, what sort of justification could the Association offer for an objection?

Tucked away at the bottom of a column in a London newspaper is an interesting announcement to the effect that John McGregor, the ex-Royal Navy full back, who has been assisting the club as an amateur, resigned professional terms for Gillingham.

McGregor will be remembered as the brilliant Navy back who played in many games in Hongkong, representative and otherwise, last season. He was undoubtedly the most polished player in his position ever seen in Hongkong, a feature of his play being superb judgment in his kicking.

The League programme for to-morrow contains no match of outstanding interest. South China are not engaged, while the South Wales Borderers are not being given a really severe test.

The list follows:

Senior Division.

St. Joseph's v. S. W. Borderers.—St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.
Argyll v. Royal Artillery.—Sookumpoo, 4 p.m.
Police v. H. K. F. C.—Kowloon, 4 p.m.
Recreio v. Chinese Ath.—Recreio, 4 p.m.
Royal Navy v. Kowloon.—Stadium, 4 p.m.

Second Division.

Navy Res. v. S. W. B. Res.—Stadium, 2.30.
St. Joseph's Res. v. Athletic Res.—St. Joseph's, 2.30.
R.A. Res. v. S. China Res.—Sookumpoo, 2.30.
Club Res. v. Argylls Res.—Club, 2.30.
Recreio Res. v. Eastern.—Recreio, 2.30.

Third Division.

R.A.O.C. v. Fukien.—Chinese H. V., 4 p.m.

The liveliest games may be anticipated on the Recreio ground and at the Stadium. The Club de Recreio entertain Chinese Athletic and both sides have a fairly good record to date, showing only one defeat. The Recreio have had to make numerous changes in their team lately and this does not tend towards good team work while their inside forwards will have to find better form if they are to outwit the old stagers in the Athletic defence.

Kowloon visit the Navy and the latter's form against the Civilian last week should give them encouragement though I cannot suppose that the Navy will persist with Peacock. Kowloon have suffered the loss of Bliss, who has not recovered from the kick he received in the Argylls match, and is likely to be out of the game for some time. This may lead to Hedley's return to the half-back line. It should be a good game between well matched sides. If Kowloon can reproduce the form of their two last matches they should win.

The Police entertain the Club on the Kowloon ground and hope to obtain their first victory. At the moment of writing neither team is to hand, though no revolutionary changes are likely. It will be a close thing and the side scoring first should win.

The S. W. Borderers should have little difficulty in adding to their points if the result of their match with the R.A. is to be accepted as a fair indication, while it is time the Argylls returned to winning form.

Recent decisions of the F.A. have been circulated as follows:—Ng York Hon of Eastern Football Club suspended for two weeks for ungentlemanly conduct during the match against the Somersets.

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The Recreio 2nd XI will be:—Lawrence; Costa; Britto; Silva; Figueiredo; E. Lawrence; Goncalves; Roza Pereira; Sousa and Santos.

The following will represent the Club 2nd XI:—Fagwell; Stoker; and Potouloff; Bloam; Punchoon; and Tavling; Alexander; Ball; Strango; Jackson; and Fowler. Reserves:—Hooper and Smith.

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POLICE OFFICER RETIRING.

CHIEF INSPECTOR C. F. ARIS GOING HOME.

A highly respected and popular officer of the Hongkong Police Force is retiring shortly in the person of Chief Inspector Charles Frederick Aris, who is leaving for home on board the a.s. Kalyan on December 20, after over thirty years' service in the local force.

It was on September 12, 1900, that Chief Inspector Aris first received his appointment to the Colony as a Police Constable. In those days promotions were few and far between and his next step took him nine years to gain in comparison with the present period of only about six months. After being made Lance Sergeant in December 1909, he was given the rank of Sergeant three years later and in 1921 he was promoted an Inspector.

During the six months from June to December 1926 Chief Inspector Aris was acting Chief Inspector at Police Headquarters, during the absence on leave of Mr. W. Kent, who was then Chief Inspector. In January 1929 a new post of Chief Inspector of Kowloon was created and Chief Inspector Aris was the first to be given that title. He is at present Chief Inspector of the Peninsula with his headquarters at the Yau-mai Police Station.

As can only be expected from such a long residence in the Colony, Chief Inspector Aris has witnessed remarkable developments on the island and in Kowloon. During his service in the Force he has been very popular with his colleagues as well as with his outside friends, among whom he will be greatly missed. They will wish him health and prosperity in the Old Country.

The departure of Chief Inspector Aris will remove from the Police Force the oldest officer, below the rank of a Superintendent, in both age and service. Now 55 years of age, Chief Inspector Aris is four years older than the next in seniority, over whom he also has an advantage of nearly four years' service.

SIAMESE PRINCE ON A VISIT.

ARRIVES YESTERDAY BY AIR FROM MACAO.

A keen flying enthusiast when he was in France, H. R. H. Prince Parachatra of Siam returned to Hongkong by air, after a short visit to Macao. He landed at Kai Tak at 11 a.m. yesterday in a Portuguese Government seaplane, piloted by Commander J. Cabral, Superintendent of the Portuguese Air Force.

At Macao, the Prince was entertained by the Acting Governor, Dr. Magalhães, who was present at Taipei, accompanied by the Harbour Master, Captain Pinheiro Almeida, to bid the Prince farewell. The flight from Macao took half an hour.

At Kai Tak, the Prince was met by the Commander and officers of the Royal Air Force and Superintendent Moss of the aerodrome. He has taken up his quarters at the Peninsula Hotel.

CONVICTS CALLED AS WITNESSES.

ALLEGED ASSAULT OF MR. PLUMB COMMITTED.

Convict No. 1614 (Tse Shu-shung), charged with wounding and maiming Acting Principal Warder Bert Plumb at Victoria Gaol on October 22, was yesterday committed by Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court, for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

At the request of the accused, three other convicts were brought out of the Prison for their testimony to be taken with regard to certain acts of brutality and unfairness which the accused said he suffered at the hands of Warder Plumb and which he explained had led him to stab the officer with a dagger.

One of these, Convict No. 432 (Li Shu-hing), complained to the Court that they had been cheated out of their just weight in rations, it being the case, he said, that they often found it necessary to weigh the provisions themselves.

He was present at one of these operations, when he saw the accused being put out by Warder Plumb on the score that the accused was not entitled to parole.

The rice was duly weighed, and, as usual, it was found short.

Alleged Conspiracy.

The Magistrate: All this did not concern Warder Plumb.

Witnesses may be not, but it appears to me that there was a conspiracy to put 1614 in trouble.

Witness went on to relate that he was in the gang of four who, because of accusations, were condemned to a rice-and-water diet, and kept in one common ward. Troubled by bugs during the night, and finding sleep impossible, they found it necessary to bang the bed-planks in the hope that the bugs would be shaken out by this process. That appeared to be undesirable to the warder in charge, who warned them, and they desisted.

Because of this incident, accused was reported, and he subsequently interviewed the Chief Warder for a reason. That official threatened to put him on a rice-and-water diet every time he thus interviewed him.

"I have been seven-and-a-half years in the Gaol, and I should know what the usages are therein," witness declared when asked by the Court as to his qualifications.

Replying to a further question, witness admitted that the only instance he had seen of Warder Plumb's relations with the accused was when he saw Warder Plumb holding the accused back when he wanted to be present at the weighing of rations.

Detective-Inspector Shannon: The complaint would be of unfair treatment, and not brutal treatment—that is to say if it is true.

Cannon Ball Exercise.

Witness said he was in the same working gang with the accused, and heard Warder Plumb call accused names and order him not to put down the cannon-balls, with which they were exercising, too heavily on the boards.

Convict No. 67 (Tse Kau) gave evidence on much the same lines as the previous witness. He stated that the accused was denied his usual bath, and because of his ringing for it he was taken before Warder Plumb.

Another convict, No. 493, said that a reason should have been given to accused as to why he was not allowed to participate in the process of weighing provisions.

RETURN FLIGHT FROM CANTON.

F. O. HARVEY COMES BACK IN 40 MINUTES.

On Tuesday Flying Officer A. V. Harvey, test and demonstration pilot to the Far East Aviation Company Limited, flew the Company's machine to Canton for demonstration purposes in one hour. This time was well beaten on his return flight yesterday when he covered the distance in 40 minutes. These two flights give a striking demonstration of the value of an air line between the two ports, and will, no doubt, prove to be the forerunners of a regular service at some time in the not too distant future.

Flying Officer Harvey, flying V.R.-H.A.D., took off from Kai Tak at ten minutes to one on Tuesday and arrived at Tai Sha Tau, Canton, at ten minutes to two where he was welcomed by General Gaston Wong (representing His Excellency, General Chan Ming-shu), the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the British Consul General and his wife (Mr. and Mrs. H. Phillips), aerodrome officials, and a large gathering of spectators.

After introductions had been effected, Flying Officer Harvey gave an aerobatic display which was greatly appreciated by those present.

On Wednesday morning, Flying Officer Harvey, together with the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, called upon His Excellency, General Chan Ming-shu, the Mayor, and the Commander-in-Chief at Military Headquarters. Afterwards he gave another demonstration of the capabilities of the machine.

On Wednesday afternoon, Flying Officer Harvey was the guest at a reception given in his honour by the Mayor at the Municipal Offices, being accompanied by Mr. B. Lander Lewis, Chairman of the Far East Aviation Company Limited. There were officials present including the British Consul General and the Mayor delivered a speech of welcome in Chinese.

Yesterday morning, Flying Officer Harvey again demonstrated the machine, and accompanied by Mr. Lander Lewis took-off for Hongkong at 11 a.m., setting his wheels down at Kai Tak only 40 minutes afterwards.

He brought with him a letter from His Excellency, General Chan Ming-shu, to His Excellency, Sir William Peel, this being in reply to the letter which was sent up by Sir William Peel.

The machine will be further demonstrated at Macao to Portuguese officials by Flying Officer Harvey, on Saturday afternoon. The plane will be landed on the racecourse, which has now been prepared as a suitable field. The return trip is expected to be made on Sunday.

That was not given, and because of this and other acts of unfairness which might have occurred, he supposed that the accused was driven to stab the officer, Warder Plumb, said witness, had always shown a bullying attitude towards the accused.

This completed the number of witnesses called by the accused. He was on the point of embarking on a statement when checked by the Magistrate, who pointed out that he had had his opportunity and had declined to speak, on the score of wasting the time of the Court. If he had any other remarks to make there was still the time and the opportunity for him to make when appearing before the Supreme Court.

Accused was then committed.

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CHINA & THE CABLE COMPANIES.

NANKING SPOKESMAN REVIEWS POSITION.

Nanking, Dec. 4.

The Ministry of Communications spokesman to-day made a statement on the present situation regarding negotiations between the Chinese Government and the foreign cable companies, the Eastern Extension, Great Northern, and Commercial Pacific, whose contracts with China expire at the end of the year.

The spokesman said that the Ministry had arranged the early completion of a new radio station at Shanghai (making it possible to have direct communication with America and Europe) and had also arranged for the payment of China's debt of nearly \$5,000,000 to the cable companies. In the event of the present negotiations breaking down, the Ministry was fully prepared to handle all outgoing and incoming messages.

The issues now being discussed between the Government and the companies were:

Firstly, landing rights; secondly, the future interests of the companies in China; and lastly, cable rates.

The spokesman said the cable companies desired a twenty-year extension of their monopoly.

AUSTRIAN CABINET.

TO INCLUDE SIX CHRISTIAN SOCIALISTS.

Vienna, Dec. 4.

Dr. Ender, the Governor of Vorarlberg, has formed a Cabinet with Herr Johann Schober as Vice-Chancellor and Foreign Minister. Ex-Chancellor Herr Ignaz Seipel, who is in bad health, is unable to participate.

The Cabinet will include six Christian Socialists, members of the recent Vaugoin Cabinet.—*Reuter.*

landing rights, but the Chinese Government could not agree, though it was willing to discuss a shorter period.

The Chinese Government insists that the Chinese Telegraph Administration must handle all incoming and outgoing traffic in China, to which the companies object on the ground that the Chinese administration would unduly favour the Chinese-owned radio station; to which the Chinese Government has replied that it appreciated the importance of the cables and would protect the companies' interests.

The spokesman concluded, that the Chinese Government is holding out for a bigger increase in the proportion of cable revenues payable to it than the companies have yet offered.—*Reuter.*

ASSESSMENT RATE INCREASED.

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foreshadowed by Your Excellency's speech in the Budget Debate and which is explained in the Memorandum of Objects and Reasons attached to the Bill. It also makes a change in the duty relating to partition fees, and this has been suggested by the convenancing advisers of the Government.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Tung Wah Hospital.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to make certain provisions relating to the corporation named The Tung Wah Hospital." He said:—This is a Government measure but it affects an institution which is run by unofficial people, and it represents, as far as is known the wishes of the Directors of this institution. There is a very long table of correspondence and Objects and Reasons attached to the Bill. The Directors are anxious that it should pass this year in order that the elections which take place early next year may be put upon a proper footing.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Powers of Arrest.

The Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the law relating to the powers of arrest possessed by revenue officers." He said:—This is really a law revision Bill and it corrects omissions in the Ordinance of 1907, that is to say it brings them up to date by substituting the present Post Office Ordinance for the old Post Office Ordinance, and it also contains certain references to the Motor Spirit Ordinance which have been suggested by the Secretary of State.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a first time.

Seven Bills Passed.

The Council then proceeded to consider the second readings of seven bills, namely:

A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1900.

A Bill to amend the Probates Ordinance, 1897.

A Bill to amend the Summary Offences Ordinance, 1845.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the District Watch Force.

A Bill to amend the law relating to theatrical performances at places of public entertainment.

A Bill for promoting the revision of the Ordinances of Hongkong by the repeal of Ordinances and other enactments which are spent or no longer required and by the correction of errors.

A Bill to amend the law relating to Companies.

All the above passed their second and third readings and became law.

Examination Fees.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, which followed the Council, votes amounting to \$195,431, were considered and passed.

Regarding a vote of \$4,206 for entrance fees for University Local Examinations, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes said he would like

MR. BENNETT LEAVES.

HOPES FOR SUCCESS OF THE OTTAWA CONFERENCE.

London, Dec. 4.

Mr. J. H. Thomas was among a host of friends who bade farewell to Mr. Bennett, the Canadian Premier, on his return to Canada. He said: "Mr. Bennett came as a close friend, and leaves as an even closer friend."

Mr. Bennett, interviewed by *Reuter*, declared that Canada would do her utmost at the Ottawa conference to ensure the adoption of measures to increase Empire co-operation.—*Reuter.*

[The Ottawa conference is to continue where the Imperial Conference left off in the discussion of inter-Empire economic affairs.]

to enquire if that amount represented the sum granted by the Government to entrants for University Local Examinations, both junior and senior, which he understood the Government insisted that scholars should enter. Was he rightly informed that the Government paid all these fees?

The Chairman:—Yes.

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson:—Surely forced entries are rather expensive, because you can take a horse to the water but you cannot make him drink, and a very large proportion of those forced to enter surely have no hope of passing the examination.

The Chairman:—It is not everybody in the grant-in-aid schools who have to enter. I cannot answer the question on the exact limits, but they are naturally reasonable.

Hon. Mr. Paterson:—Could I have details, because this will come before the Retrenchment Commission and I think the vote might be left until then.

The Chairman:—The principle might very well be considered by the Retrenchment Commission but this particular payment is one we are committed to. It would be rather convenient to get it passed this year and paid in this way, and it will be a simplification of the method of accounting. The exact decision as to who and for whom the Government pays these entrance fees can be a matter to be discussed separately by the Retrenchment Commission. Your decision can hardly affect this vote.

Hon. Mr. Paterson:—Yes, I realise that.

Hon. Mr. S. W. T'ao:—Will this money affect the capitation grants at all?

The Chairman:—No, not in any way. It is only a simplification of method. It was rather complicated until now, and this will put it on a very simple basis in the future.

The vote was approved.

Stanley Water Supply.

Regarding a vote of \$15,500, being the Government's share of the cost of the pipe line from Tytun to Stanley, the Hon. Mr. Owen Hughes asked:—I notice, Sir, that the rate for Stanley is 12½ per cent. in the resolution we adopted earlier. Will this supply of water be taken into consideration in fixing the 12½ per cent?

The Chairman:—In the re-arrangement of the Stanley rates it will come in later on, but there is no special allocation of the assessment rate for special services as yet. If there is any re-arrangement, the matter will have to be considered.

The vote was approved.

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HANKOW RETROCESSION

DEMAND.

Tokyo, Dec. 4.

The Japanese Government has replied to China's recent note demanding retrocession of the Hankow Concession.

It is understood that the reply is a formal acknowledgment of the note, and is entirely non-committal, as the demand is not regarded seriously.—*Reuter.*

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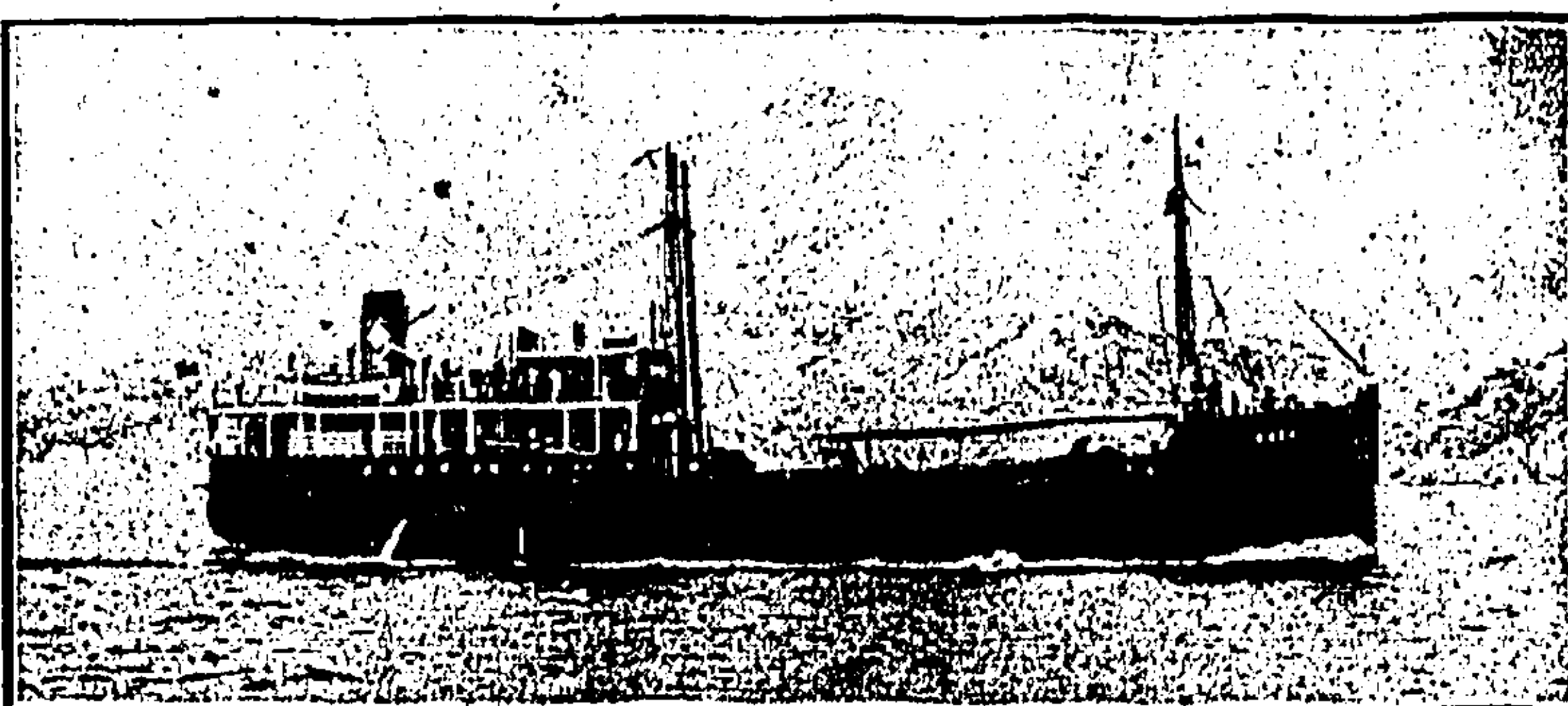
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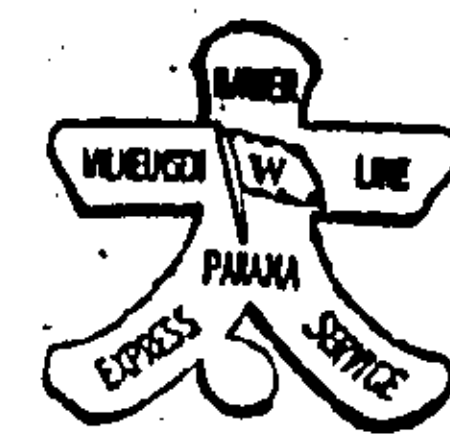
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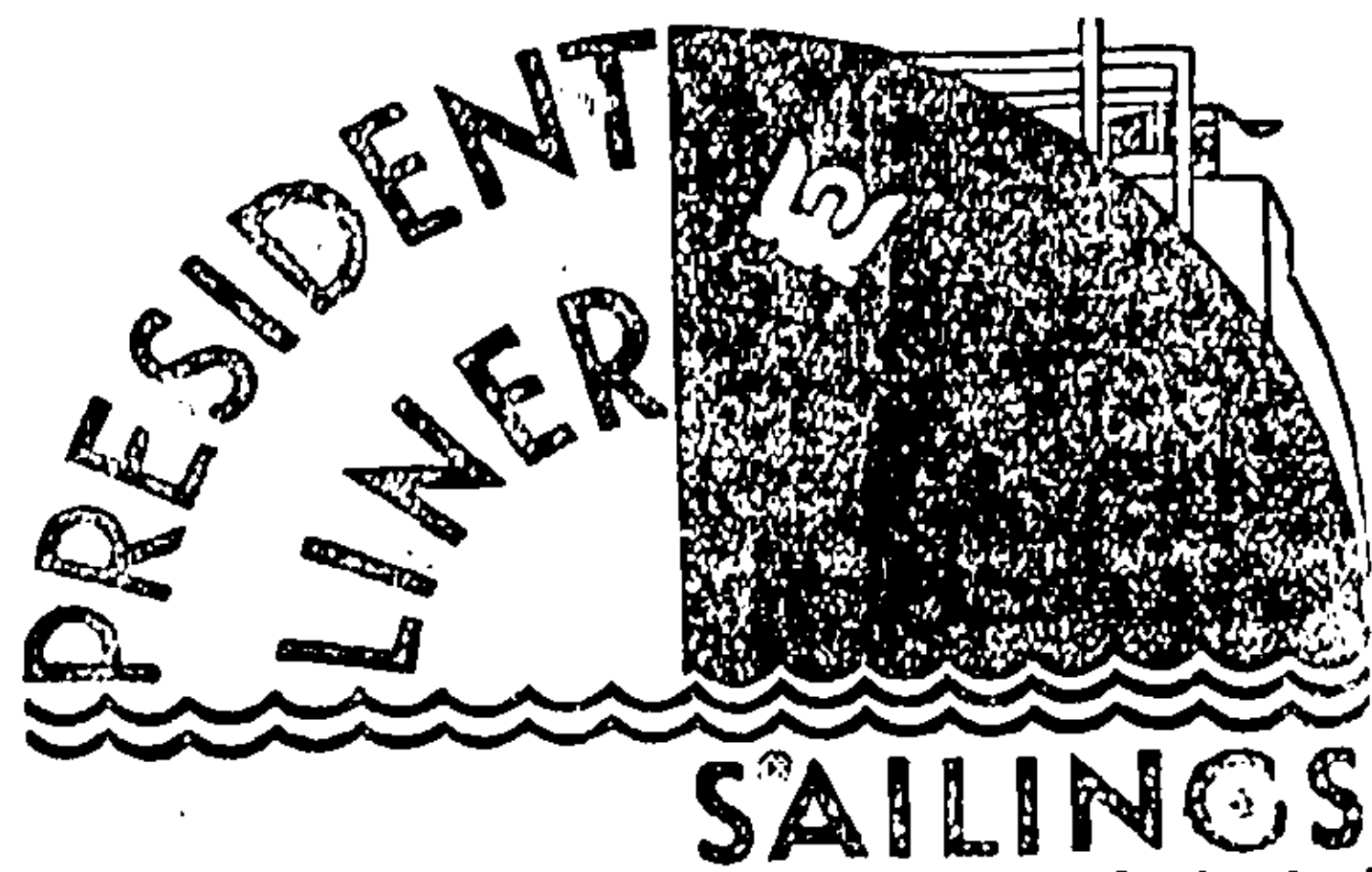
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ARMED ROBBERY SEQUEL.

MAN WHO GOT TIP FROM SWEETHEART.

SENT TO PRISON.

A charge of conspiracy to commit an armed robbery on the second floor of 7, Queen Victoria Street, on September 21 last, was brought against a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning.

Detective Inspector Shannon, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that he had been instructed to apply for the case to be taken summarily.

When the charge was put to the defendant, he entered a plea of guilty.

The defendant, according to Detective Inspector Shannon, was formerly employed as a cook by the inmates of the ground floor of 7, Queen Victoria Street and whilst there he became engaged to a maid-servant on the second floor of the same address.

The maid-servant, however, left about three months prior to September 21, when the premises were robbed.

The defendant was alleged to have got inside information as to where the jewellery and money was kept in the house, with the result that on September 21, four men went to the premises and stole a quantity of money and jewellery. During the raid of the premises the robbers stabbed the concubine of the principal witness, necessitating her detention on hospital for a few days.

Continuing, the prosecuting officer said the defendant had told him that he had been approached by an unemployed man whom he had formerly known and asked if he knew of a place that could be robbed. The defendant then gave the necessary information concerning the second floor of 7, Queen Victoria Street.

It was the information supplied by the defendant which made it possible for the robbery to take place. The accused himself had been present at the robbery and had kept watch outside while the other four men were inside. The loot amounted to \$2,387 in money and jewellery.

The defendant was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

LATEST SUGAR QUOTATIONS.

SUGGESTED CONFERENCE DIFFICULTIES.

The following sugar quotations at the close of the market yesterday in London and New York, together with messages regarding conference prospects are courteously supplied by Messrs. Pentecost and Company:

London Terminals.

March 1931	6/2 1/2	up	1 1/2d
May	6/5	"	1 1/2d
August	6/8	"	1 1/2d
December	6/11 1/2	"	5 1/2d

New York Terminals.

March 1931	1.40	up	2 pts.
May	1.48	"	3 "
July	1.55	"	2 "
September	1.61	"	2 "
December 1930	1.32	"	2 "

Telegram from London dated 4/12/30.—Satisfactory progress Amsterdam. There are good prospects of agreement between Java and Cuba.

Telegram from Liverpool dated 4/12/30.—Concerning sugar, our correspondents in New York cable:—"General feeling in absence of reports from Amsterdam indicate Conference meeting various difficulties."

LOCAL WILLS.

TWO FURTHER ESTATES DEALT WITH.

Wong Hon-chui, alias Wong Pui-yin, late of No. 22, Fung Ming Tsat Hong, Pak Hok Chau, Honam, Canton, who died at Canton on November 9, last year, left Hongkong estate worth \$37,800. Probate of the will has been granted to two sons, Wong Kai-kwong and Wong Kai-tai, who are temporarily living at No. 519, Nathan Road, Yau-mat. Everything is bequeathed to the executors, another son and the oldest grandson.

Local estate to the value of \$5,200 was left by Sheik (or Shalk) Akber, formerly of the Naval Yard, who died at No. 13, Morrison Gap Road, Wanchai, on January 29, this year. He was late of No. 14, Queen's Road Central. Probate of the will has been granted to the widow, Minonah (or Minonah) Akber, alias Chuan (or Chan) Pui-chun. Testator expresses the wish that the estate shall be invested until his youngest daughter comes of age, when it shall be divided proportionately between his three daughters.

LAST OF F.A. CUP RE-PLAYS.

UNSUCCESSFUL PROTEST BY PETERBOROUGH.

2ND ROUND COMPLETE.

London, Dec. 4.
Dulwich Hamlet, the last remaining of the amateur teams that have been struggling through the preliminary rounds of the F. A. Cup, were eliminated to-day in the re-play at Newport, the Third Division side winning comfortably. Peterborough and Fletton protested unsuccessfully against Aldershot after Saturday's match, which Aldershot won 4-1, and Aldershot enter the second round.

The results of to-day's re-plays are appended:

Luton Town	4	Clapton O.	2
Newport	4	Dulwich H.	1
Wellington	1	Wombwell	0

The draw for the Second Round is now complete as follows:

Gainsborough T. v. Southport.
Brentford v. Norwich City.
Accrington v. Torquay U.
Gillingham v. Aldershot.
Fulham v. Halifax Town.
Nelson v. York City.

ANOTHER DROP IN DOLLAR.

Fresh Low Record Touched This Morning.

SILVER ALSO WEAK.

The Hongkong dollar touched yet another low record this morning, the opening quotation being 1s. 2 1/2d. This represents a decline of 3/16d. on yesterday's rate.

Since November 18th, the dollar has declined one penny in sterling value.

Silver this morning was 1/16d. down compared with yesterday.

At 11 a.m. there was a further decline in the dollar, which was quoted at 1s. 2 1/2d.

Gateshead v. Folkestone.
Watford v. Luton Town.
Crewe Alex. v. Q. P. Rangers.
Doncaster v. Notts County.
Scarborough v. Lincoln City.
Newark Town v. Crystal Palace.
Bristol Rovers v. Stockport City.
Walsall v. Newport City.
Wellington v. Wrexham.
Carlisle v. Tunbridge Wells.
Exeter City v. Coventry City.

Matches are to be played on December 13.—*Reuter.*

PRISONER DIES IN GAOL.

THE INQUEST HELD THIS MORNING.

An inquest was held by Mr. Williams, at the Central Police Court this morning, in connexion with the death of Lo Po, a prisoner at Victoria Gaol, who died in the Prison Hospital yesterday morning following illness.

The medical evidence showed that the deceased was suffering from a variety of ailments, including tuberculosis, which had affected both lungs, and acute dysentery. Senile decay, it was stated, had set in in advance of his years, while the man's general physical condition was extremely poor.

Later, after transfer from one prison to another, he had been in the hospital attached to Victoria Gaol as a chronic case.

Records were put in stating that the man was convicted of an offence under the Liquors Ordinance, being committed on August 29 for a term of eight months.

A verdict of death through natural causes was returned by the jury.

MOTOR SPEEDSTERS IN COURT.

TWO PUBLIC DRIVERS FINED THIS MORNING.

Accused of taking a dangerous bend in Queen's Road West, at 25 miles an hour, and travelling on the wrong side of road at the same time, the driver of a public motor car who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning was fined \$25.

According to Sergeant Brown, the defendant was travelling from west to east along Queen's Road West, just opposite the Government Civil Hospital when he took a dangerous bend at a speed of 25 miles an hour. He was also on the wrong side of the road.

In another case where the driver of a public vehicle was alleged to have travelled from the Central Market to the Queen's Theatre at a speed of 30 miles an hour, a fine of \$15 was imposed.

MARRIED FROM A RICKSHA.

EVIDENCE IN KOWLOON ASSAULT CASE.

HUSBAND'S ATTACK.

"The defendant is my husband. We have been married for seven years, but for the last month have been living apart. We have no children. There was no lawful form of marriage, I went to him just in a ricksha," said a Chinese woman, giving evidence in a case before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, in which her husband was charged with having assaulted her at No. 133, Tai Nam Street, on December 2.

The woman said that about 8.30 p.m. on December 2, she was going upstairs with a bucket of water when someone tried to grab her from behind. She turned round and saw the defendant, who threw some pepper and powdered glass into her face. She was blinded for the moment and shouted out for help. The defendant bolted down the stairs. No one witnessed the incident, but she showed the pepper and glass on her person to the other inmates and the police. She was sent to hospital, where a doctor examined her and wrote something down on a piece of paper.

Mr. Butters adjourned the case for further evidence.

NEW HEDWIG DEVELOPMENTS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

sages to Manila.
"We spent an anxious night on Tuesday with only a few winks of sleep. Our hopes were greatly brightened by the sight of the H.M.S. Stormcloud standing by on Wednesday morning.

"They could do nothing, however, for the surf was terrific. I tried to send some rockets out, but the only result was a severe burn to the middle finger of my left hand. That, fortunately, is the only injury sustained by us all.

Relief at Last.
"We noticed the Stormcloud's lights disappear in the night, and the next morning we saw the Suffolk arrive. We had communicated with the Stormcloud that the only possible way of rescue was from the lagoon side and all day we were expecting relief from that side. It ultimately came about noon, when we clambered on rafts and made for the Suffolk's boats."

According to Mr. Watson, the Hedwig trades round with the China and South Seas, and had lately been fishing for pearl in many of the islands in the middle and south-Pacific. They had been out 90 days when they hit the reef.

Never Wants Another.
"It was my initiation into what you call the 'dangers of the ocean,' and I never want another experience," said one of the European members of the crew to the *Telegraph*, when met by our representative at Queen's Pier immediately after the arrival of the survivors this morning.

The man, who had passed through many hours of a grim battle with the wind and waves, appeared to be suffering very little from the after-effects, and, with a quiet smile, as he walked along Queen's Road said:—"How do I feel? Fine! In fact, I feel a deal better than before it happened."

Our reporter endeavoured to extract the story of the drama, but he said he did not feel at all like discussing it.

The Only Danger.
"As a matter of fact" he ventured, "we were lucky, as we had plenty of food on board, and our only danger, though that at one time was pretty big, was of the ship breaking up. Fortunately we got into a few feet of shallow stuff, but it was an experience which I don't want repeated."

"No, the rescue party did not have such a difficult task in locating us in the small boats as you would have expected. We were three degrees leeward, and although the coral lays presented some danger, they were circumvented with success."

"I shouldn't have liked another twenty-four hours of it," he admitted, "for those China Sea monsoons are nasty things, and there is no doubt that we were in a bad way."

Third Experience.
Another member of the crew, who would not divulge his name, can boast of this last experience as the third ocean drama in which he has been concerned.

A previous one was in Alaska, and the other off Mexico he said, and in all of them he stood in imminent danger of losing his life.

He expressed no wish to speak of his experience at Pratas Island, beyond admitting that it was terrifying, and one from which he was thankful to have emerged safely.

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